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IDENTIFICATION

Street Address: 106 Hartmans Mill Road
 Map and Parcel: 26-38
 Census Tract & Block: 4-330
 Present Owner: Robert B. Gray & Rebecca T. Keese
 Address: 106 Hartman's Mill Road
 Present Use: Residence
 Original Owner: George T. Nimmo
 Original Use: Residence

BASE DATA

Historic Name: Nimmo House
 Date/Period: c. 1873
 Style: Vernacular
 Height to Cornice:
 Height in Stories: 1
 Present Zoning: R-2
 Land Area (sq.ft.): 2.4 acres
 Assessed Value (land + imp.): 8,000 + 18,200 = 26,200

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

This one-storey weatherboarded house has the rambling form of a house that has grown in several stages and resembles houses a century older. The original section was two rooms with a central hall, its gable roof continuing as a shed roof over a veranda. There was a separate kitchen a few feet behind the main house, and another room and a shed-roofed end porch were soon added to it; and the two sections were connected, creating a weatherboarded hallway between, as in a dog-trot cabin. The kitchen section is two steps above the level of the rest of the house, and its ceilings are a little lower and its gable roof lower pitched. Some years later a much taller one-room addition was built onto the front of the house, with a section of the L-shaped veranda under its high gable roof. The veranda, with its two-part roof, has square posts and simple balustrade. There are three small interior chimneys and an exterior end chimney of brick laid in stretcher bond with an occasional random header. The living room has a fireplace, and the other rooms were heated by stoves. The ornate oak entrance door is decorated in the manner of late Victorian furniture and has a single pane of glass surrounded by small panes of stained glass. The windows are double sash, six-over-six, except those on the veranda, which are two-over-two. Windows and doors have plain trim. A two-room board and batten cottage in the yard was built about the same time as the house. It was completely remodeled in 1974, however, and the exterior end chimney rebuilt and all interior fabric replaced.

HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION

George A. Sinclair purchased a 9¼ acre tract from the estate of Edward J. Timberlake in 1870, but did not receive a deed until 1873. He immediately gave Jesse W. Nimmo a deed for 1.1 acres which he and his brother George T. Nimmo had apparently purchased from him previously. The brothers added another half-acre in 1882, and in 1887 divided the tract, with Jesse taking the northern half, on the road, and George taking the southern half, with a right-of-way to the road. Tax records indicate that a building was erected on the property in 1871. The 1873 deed shows a house on Jesse's portion near the road. Tax records indicate that there was a house of equal value on each brother's portion by 1887. Family tradition is that George Nimmo built his house about 1870. Nestled in a nicely landscaped hollow, it was the home of his descendants for 100 years. They owned 12 acres when they sold it in 1973. It was subdivided, and the present owners purchased the house and 2½ acres in 1976. They are now renovating it.

Deed References: ACDB 71-413, 68-308, 68-325, 82-93, 100-144; City DB 351-103, 351-108, 378-500.

SIGNIFICANCE

This is a small, rambling vernacular farmhouse typical of many others; but, isolated in a small valley within the city, it and its environment are much better preserved than most.

CONDITIONS

Fair

SOURCES

City/County Records
 Robert Gray and Rebecca Keese
 Mrs. Forest N. Morris
 Mrs. Herbert M. Hammer

RECONNAISSANCE LEVEL SURVEY REPORT

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORIC RESOURCE
RECONNAISSANCE SURVEY FORM

DHR Identification Number: 104-5044

Other DHR Number: Property Date(s) 1880 ca

PROPERTY NAMES	EXPLANATION
Nimmo, George T. House	Historic

County/Independent City: Charlottesville
 State: Virginia
 Magisterial District: Tax Parcel: 26-38

USGS Quad Map Name: CHARLOTTESVILLE EAST

UTMs of Boundary:
Center UTM:

Restrict location and UTM data? N

ADDRESSES

Number	Thoroughfare Name	Explanation
206 -	Hartman's Mill Road	Current
106 -	Hartman's Mill Road	Name change

Vicinity: Town/Village/Hamlet:

Name of National Register Historic District:

Name of DHR Eligible Historic District:

Name of Local Historic District:

Physical Character of General Surroundings: City

Site Description/Notable Landscape Features:
 The property is a large (2.4 acres) parcel with minimal street frontage (wide enough for a driveway). The driveway, actually a lane lined with cedars and flowering trees, curves back to the house site, which is on a rise above Moore's Creek. The driveway splits at the house, with a forecourt/turnaround area at the front and a narrow parking area at the side of the house. An immense magnolia grows in a low swale east of the house, accessed by brick steps that lead from the front porch. Modern plantings such as hosta, ivy, and flowering plants fill large naturalistic beds at the front yard that are held above the driveway level by stone retaining walls. The rear yard is terraced, leading down to the creek. A remnant earthen dam (for a small mill, electrical generator, or ornamental pond?) remains at the eastern end

of the lot in the creek bed. The property encompasses a small area across the creek as well, where various ornamental landscape plantings have been placed.

Ownership: Private

NR Resource Type: Building

WUZITS

Seq. #	# of	Wuzit Types	Historic?
1.0	2	Single Dwelling	Historic
1.1	1	Stable	Historic
1.2	1	Poultry Shelter	Historic
1.3	1	Dam	Historic
TOTAL:		5	
Historic:		5	
Non-Historic:		0	

PRIMARY RESOURCE EXTERIOR COMPONENT DESCRIPTION

Component	#	Comp Type/Form	Material	Material Treatment
Chimney	1	Flue	Brick	Parged
Door(s)	1	Single Leaf		Not visible
Foundation	0	Solid	Stucco	Parged
Porch	0	1-story, 1-bay	Wood	Enclosed
Roof	0	Gable	Asphalt	Shingle
Structural System	0	Frame	Wood	Weatherboard
Window(s)	0	Sash, double-hung	Wood	6/6

INDIVIDUAL RESOURCE INFORMATION

SEQUENCE NUMBER: 1.0

WUZIT: Single Dwelling

Primary Resource? Yes

Estimated Date of Construction: 1880 ca

Source of Date: Local Records

Architectural Style:

Description:

This one-story weatherboarded frame house, with several standing-seam-metal gabled roofs, is an unusual, irregular dwelling of the late-nineteenth century that achieved its present form over the course of many building campaigns. Originally a one-story, side- or center-passage-plan house with an exterior end chimney and engaged front porch, the house has had several historic-period additions. These additions include the formerly detached, shallow-gabled rear/side kitchen wing and its connecting covered passageway, and a tall one-story frame gabled wing with an integral porch. The two-part, L-shaped porch is supported with square posts and accessed by wide steps. Three brick flues complement the one brick chimney. The original windows in the house are six-over-six double-hung wood sash. Windows opening onto the front porch were replaced about 1900 with two-over-two sash. Also at that time, the front door was replaced with the current Queen Anne-style oak and stained glass door. Plain wood trim is present at exterior door and window openings.

Condition: Good

Threats to Resource: None Known

Additions/Alterations Description:

Post-historic additions include a modern shed-roofed wing behind the kitchen, and a modern wood deck at the rear of the house complex. In addition, the front porch balusters have been removed and front steps reconfigured.

Number of Stories: 1.0
Interior Plan Type: Irregular
Accessed? No If not, why not? Not accessible

Interior Description:

SEQUENCE NUMBER: 1.1 WUZIT: Single Dwelling

Primary Resource? No
Estimated Date of Construction: 1880 ca
Source of Date: Local Records
Architectural Style:
Description:

This two-room, detached cottage is of board-and-batten and weatherboarded frame construction, with a standing-seam-metal gable roof and rear shed rooms. According to local survey records, in 1974 the interior was gutted and remodeled and the chimney was rebuilt.

Condition: Remodeled
Threats to Resource: Major Alteration

Additions/Alterations Description:

Number of Stories: 1.0
Interior Plan Type: Two-Room, Single Pile
Accessed? No If not, why not? Not accessible

Interior Description:

SEQUENCE NUMBER: 1.2 WUZIT: Stable

Primary Resource? No
Estimated Date of Construction: 1880 ca
Source of Date: Site Visit
Architectural Style:
Description:

The stable is a very deteriorated, partially collapsed outbuilding of two levels, clad in board-and-batten siding with open and enclosed units stepping down the sloping site. A rear section, which has projecting vent pipes, may have been used as a meathouse. Construction materials include circular sawn lumber and wire nails.

Condition: Ruinous
Threats to Resource: Deterioration

Additions/Alterations Description:

Number of Stories: 2.0

Interior Plan Type:
Accessed? No If not, why not? Not accessible

Interior Description:

SEQUENCE NUMBER: 1.3 WUZIT: Poultry Shelter
Primary Resource? No
Estimated Date of Construction: 1900 ca
Source of Date: Site Visit
Architectural Style:
Description:
One-story, board-and-batten frame chicken house with gable roof.

Condition: Good-Excellent
Threats to Resource: None Known

Additions/Alterations Description:

Number of Stories: 1.0
Interior Plan Type:
Accessed? No If not, why not? Not accessible

Interior Description:

SEQUENCE NUMBER: 1.4 WUZIT: Dam
Primary Resource? No
Estimated Date of Construction: 1900 ca
Source of Date: Site Visit
Architectural Style:
Description:

The dam is of earthen construction and quite small; it was breached or damaged at some point but remains mostly in place. The dam no longer retains water in a pond behind the house.

Condition: Deteriorated
Threats to Resource: Neglect

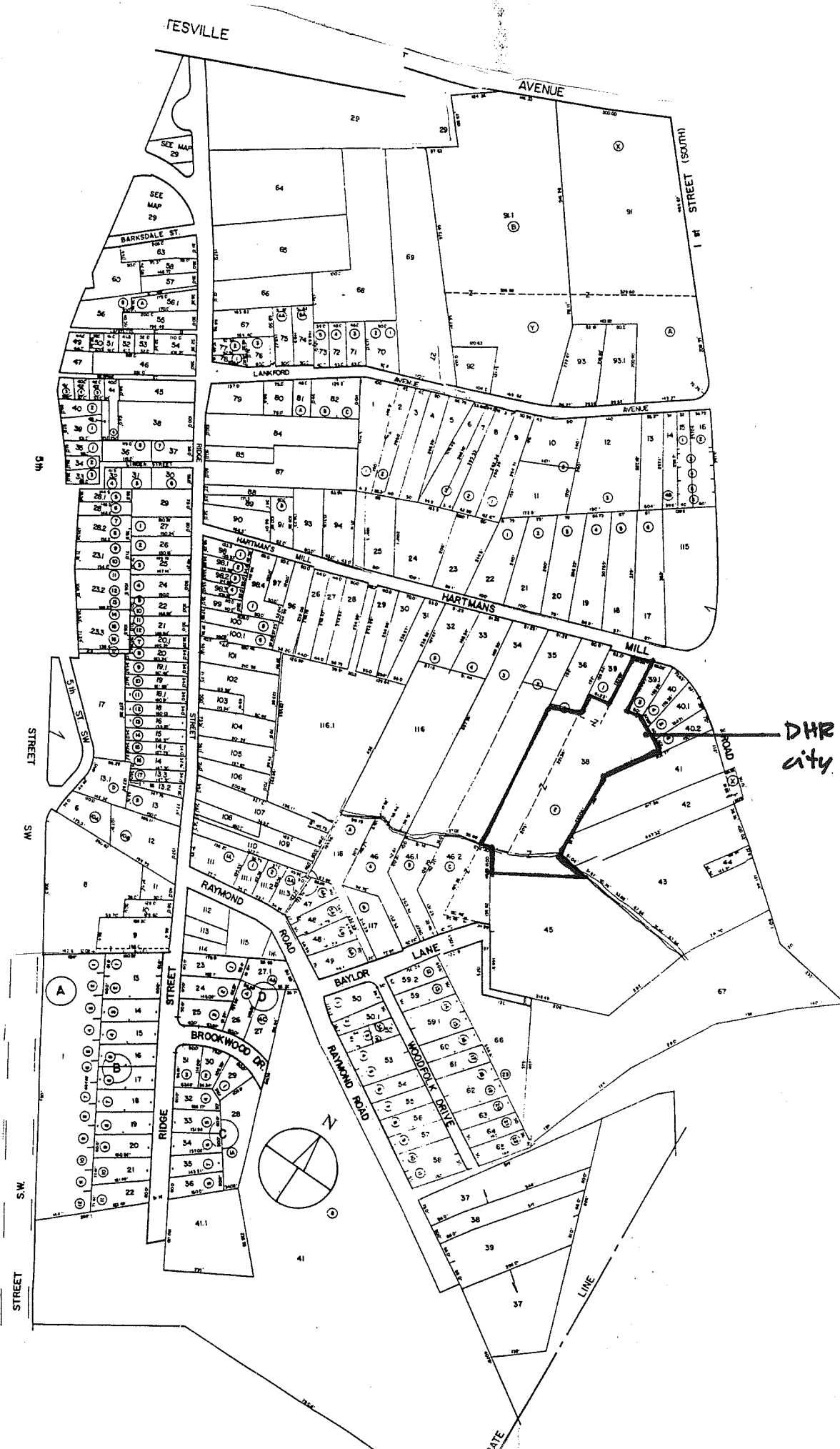
Additions/Alterations Description:

Number of Stories: 0.0
Interior Plan Type:
Accessed?

Interior Description:

Relationship of Secondary Resources to Property:

The cottage dwelling is located immediately behind and adjacent to the main house; the stable is located behind and south of the main house, at the end of the driveway; the chicken house is located behind and slightly west of the main house. The dam is located in the creek bed of Moore's Creek, near the rear property line.



DHR no. 104-5044
city no. 196

DHR Historic Context: Domestic

Significance Statement:

Brothers George T. and Jesse W. Nimmo began acquiring property along Hartman's Mill Road in 1873. In that year, George A. Sinclair conveyed the deed to 1.1 acres of his 9.25-acre tract to the brothers. The deed shows a house already built on the 1.1 acre-tract, near the road. The brothers bought another half-acre in 1882, and in 1887 divided the enlarged parcel between them--Jesse took the northern half (along the road), and George took the southern half, reserving a right-of-way to the road. By 1887, dwellings of equal value were being taxed on both parcels. Begun after 1873, the George T. Nimmo House is one of the older dwellings in the neighborhood east of Ridge Street. Owned and occupied by members of the Nimmo family for nearly 100 years, the house is an unusual accretive structure with components from at least three historic construction stages. The Nimmo property, a remnant of the twelve-acre parcel ultimately acquired by the family, also retains several early (apparently nineteenth century) outbuildings and an earthen dam, important features of the domestic and agricultural landscape developed over the years. Unlike most properties in the neighborhood, this one is not historically associated with African-American settlement.

GRAPHIC DOCUMENTATION

Medium	Medium ID #	Frames	Date
B&W 35mm Photos	15674	1 - 6	4/15/1997
Slides		-	4/15/1997
B&W 35mm Photos	15673	24 - 31	4/ 4/1997

BIBLIOGRAPHIC DATA

Sequence #: 1.0 Bibliographic Record Type: Local Records

Author: City of Charlottesville Assessors Office

Citation Abbreviation:

Property Description (by parcel no.)

Notes:

Legal description: 2.4 acres

Sequence #: 1.1 Bibliographic Record Type: Local Records

Author: Albemarle County

Citation Abbreviation:

Deed Book(s)

Notes:

Deed book references:68-308, 68-325, 71-413, 82-93, 100-144

Sequence #: 1.2 Bibliographic Record Type: Local Records

Author: Charlottesville, City of

Citation Abbreviation:

Deed Book(s)

Notes:

Deed book references: 351-103, 351-108, 378-500

Sequence #: 2.0 Bibliographic Record Type: Survey, Other

Author:

Citation Abbreviation:

City of Charlottesville Architectural and Historic Survey

Notes:

"Nimmo House," file no. 196 (n.d., after 1976)

CULTURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT EVENTS

Date: 2/ 6/1997

Cultural Resource Management Event: Reconnaissance Survey

Organization or Person: JDP Pres.Consultant: Pezzoni

ID # Associated with Event:

CRM Event Notes or Comments:

MAILING ADDRESS

Honorif:

First :

Last :

Suffix :

Title :

Company:

Address:

City :

State:

Zip :

Country:

Phone/extension:

Individual Category Codes:

Mailing Address Notes:

Surveyor's Notes:

4.4.97

Nanmo Hs.

2 level b+b
stable w/
open + encl'd
units stepping
down hill.

pipes project from
rear section -
for smoke venting?

very deteriorated, collapsed

o o o ram blocks.

rear weather
section?

only c.s. lumb.
+ wire nails observed

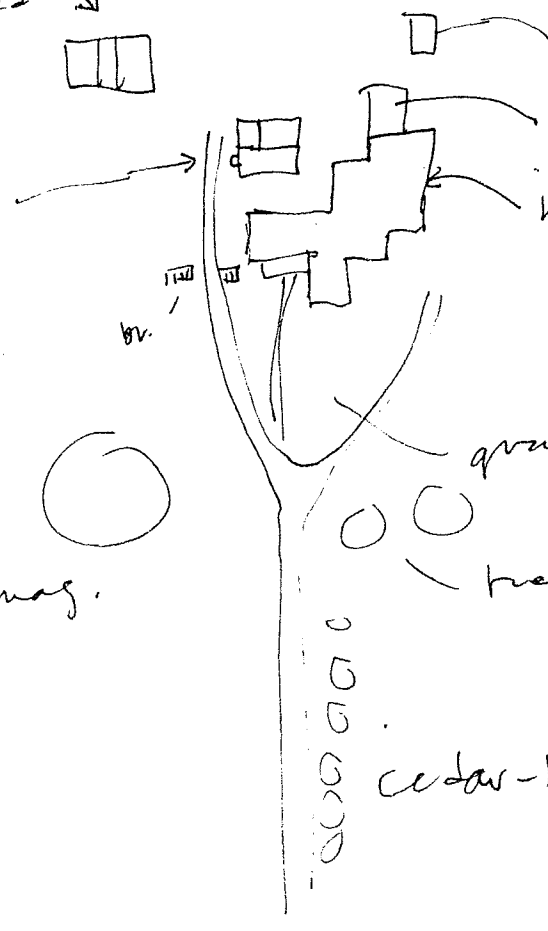
tam (for small mill, elec. gen'r, or
ornamental pond?)

Is b+b quite chicken h's?

b+b + w/d
Frame 1.5
bldg - h't?
mod br. chim.
s.s. gable.
rear shed

mod deck

mod shed ref. wing ~~that~~



swale

mag.

ground covers

trees w/ ivy

cedar-lined lane

HMR

swale

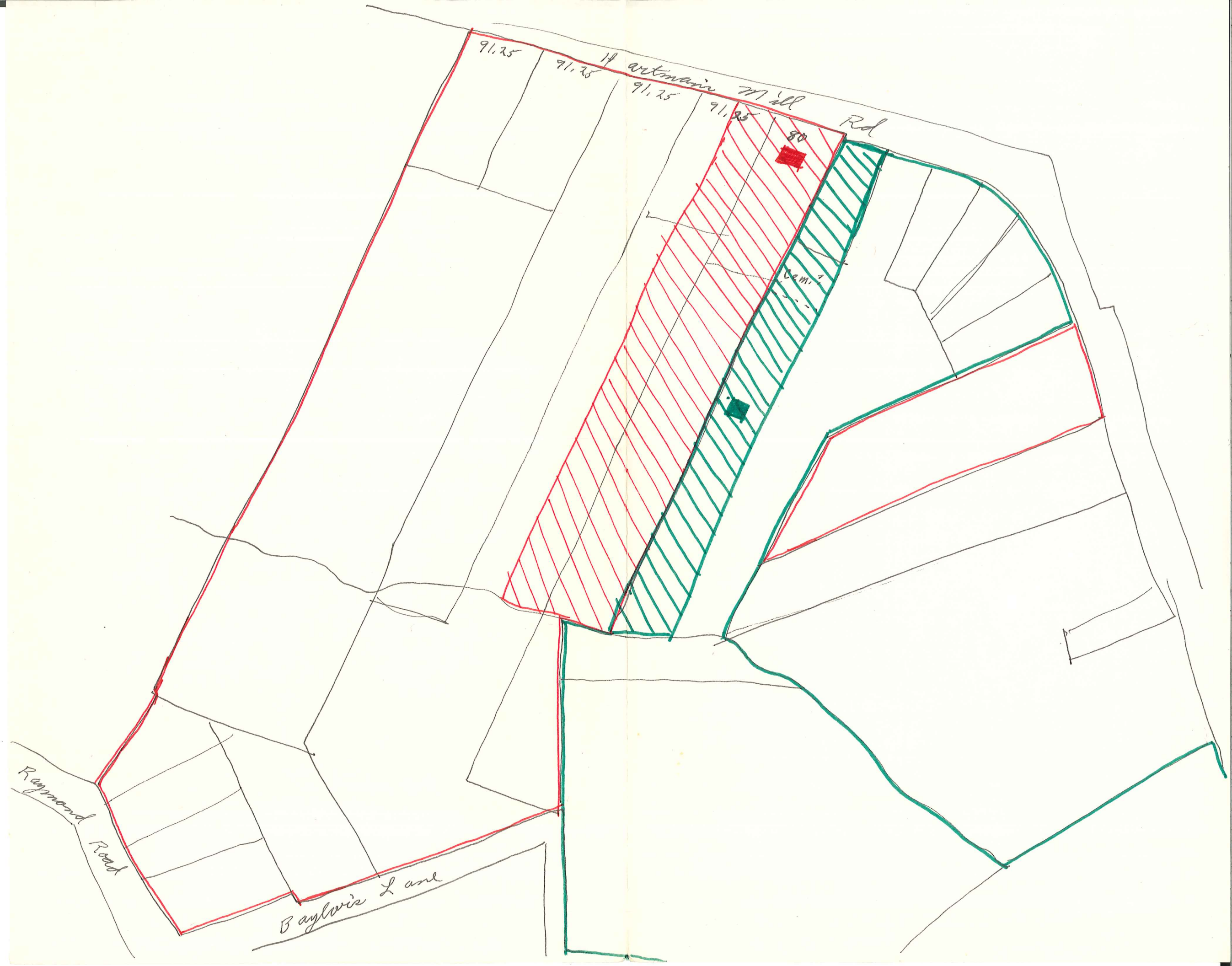
File No. 57

Address: 301 East High Street
Name: City Mortgage and Insurance Building

Map & Parcel: 33-70

Built: 1958

Surveyed:

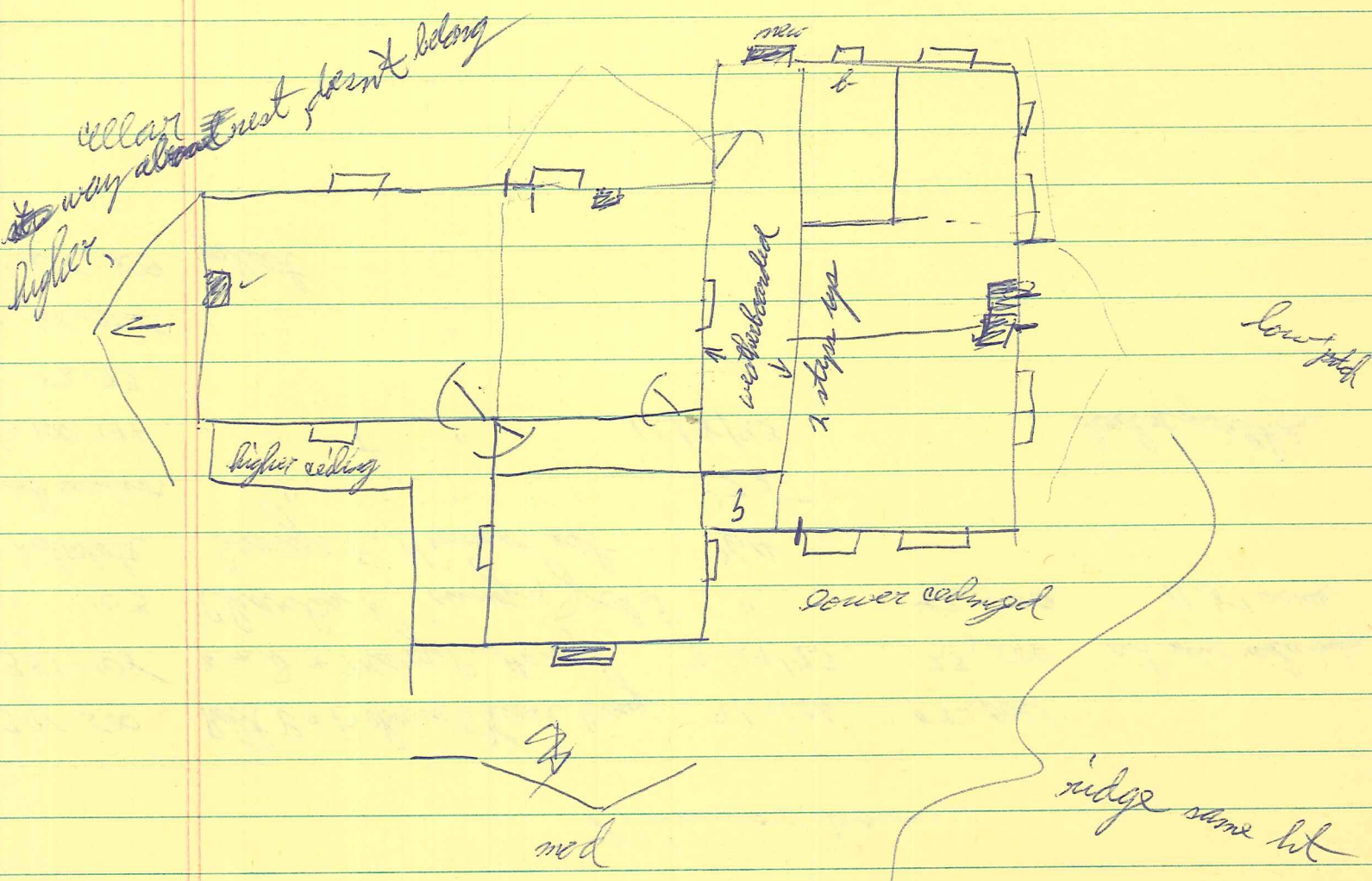


Nimrod House (106 Hartman's Mill Rd)

found: brick piers, stone flint in
~~staircase~~
 common bond chimney, occasional header
 tin roof
 rear engaged
 shutters



6/6
 partitions come thru rear wall
 porch windows 2/2
 transom over left door
 stained glass panes around edge of door
 porches under main roof, simple sq posts & railings
 brick walks everywhere
~~brick walls everywhere~~
 trees
 cornice boxed as if had no rafters



cottage board & batten

City Tax Records

Nimmo house

378-500	Robt B + Rebecca T. Keese Gray	9/17/76	\$32,000	
351-108	Wm D + Mary F. Honey	9/27/73	23,500	est new reduction
" 103	Charles A Young, Jxtd	"	42,500	11.81 acres
intestate	George F. Nimmo est	'64		
sole survivor	" " "	'35		
Co 100-144	" T "	12/18/93		dead of production
" 82-93				
" 68-308				
" 68-309	plat			

ave concrete

57 rooms, 1 1/2 baths

OLD '66 built

stone found, wood w siding, metal gable roof

hard & softwood, plaster

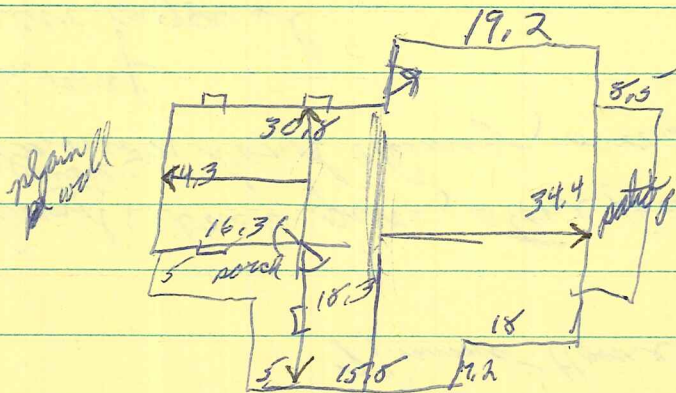
doit basement

2 fireplaces + 1 new

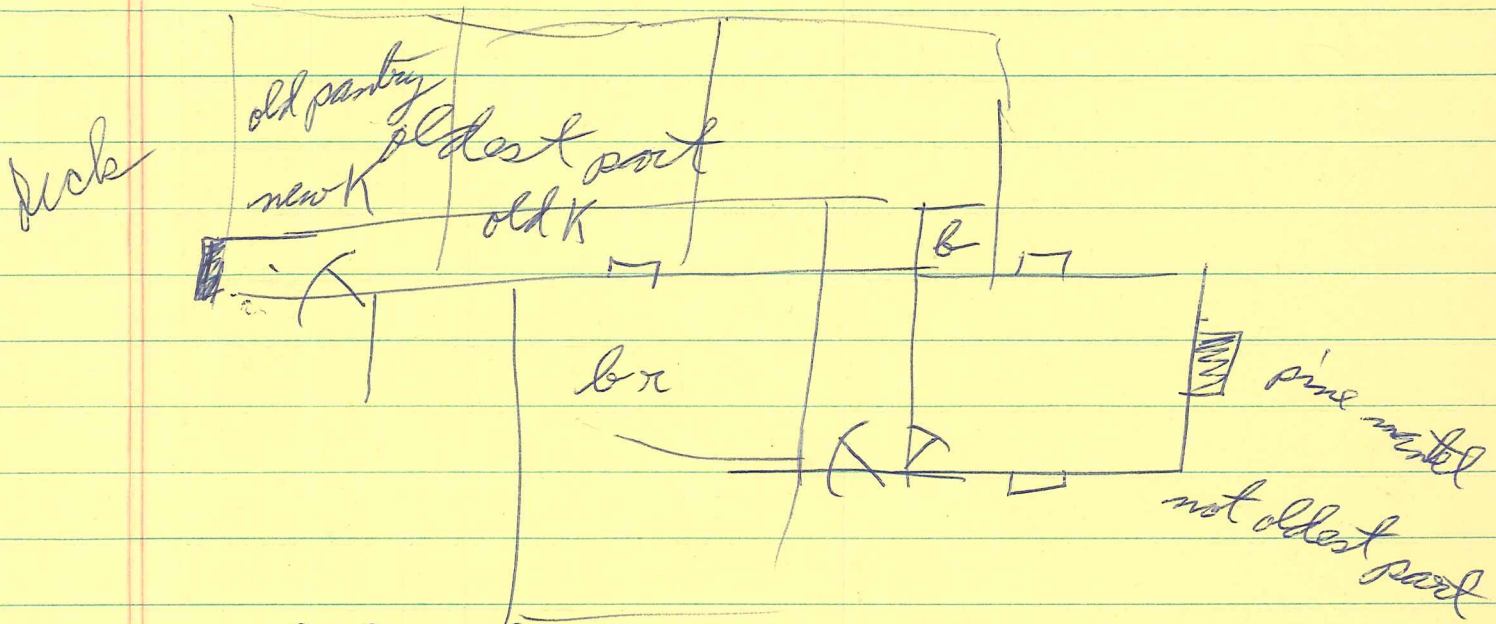
1/8/74 - 1 story frame cottage, 2 rooms + bath

4/22/66 - bath in cottage + house + addition

10/64 heat



2 steps above front



weatherboarding in hall

doors for barn 5 horiz panel, ^{moulding applied} cross Bble

collage
board & battens ^{over} trap hinges

she says rear older; he says center

Doc F- 1883-8/14/64

Annex 1885-1969 (5/13)

City D 13 351-105

Vimmer fam → Charles A Young et al

\$42,500

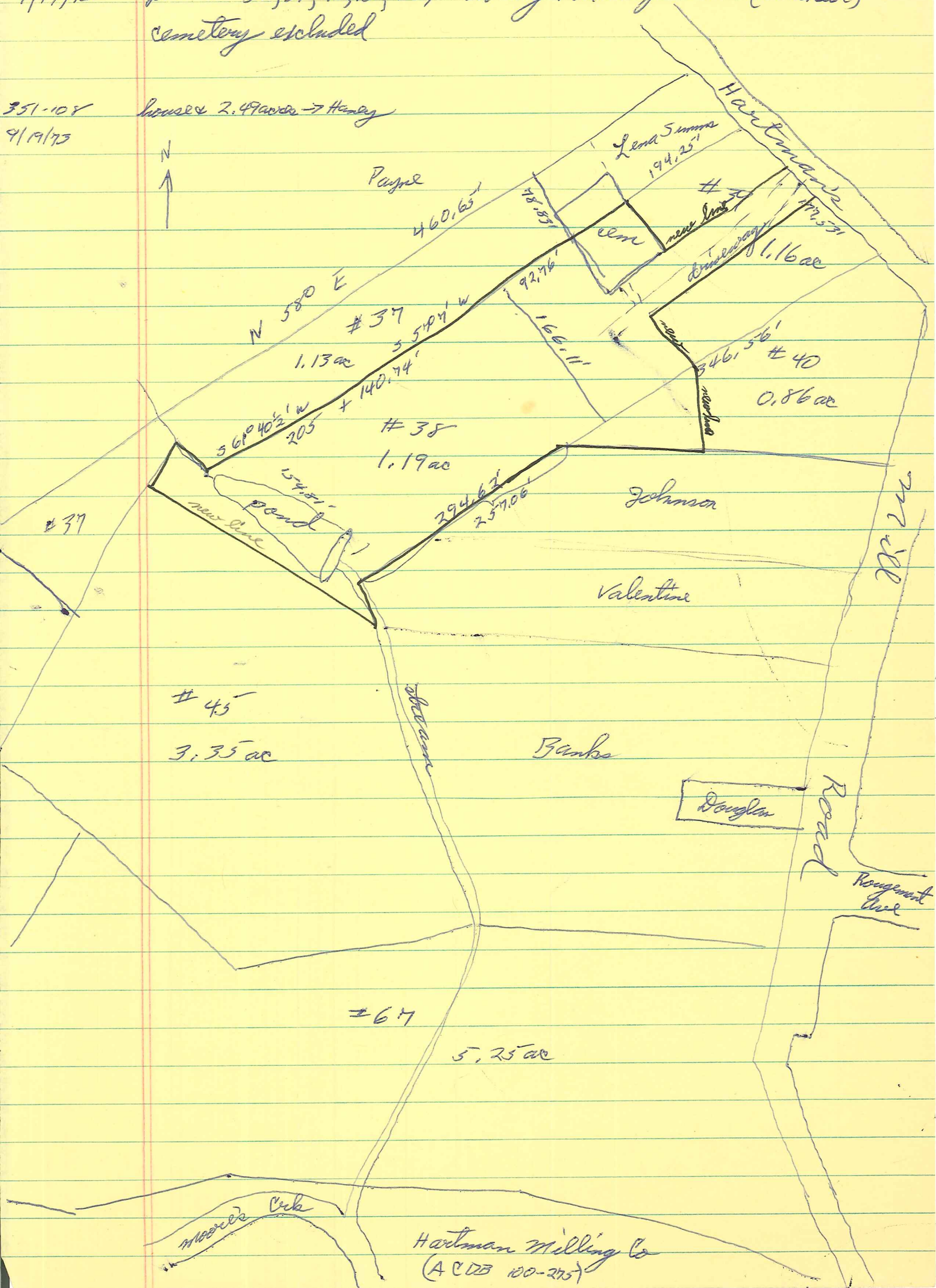
9/19/73

parcels 38, 39, 40, 45, 467 on City Tax Map #26 (attached)
cemetery excluded

351-108

house & 2.49 acres → Henley

9/19/73



~~2:10~~ ~~2:55~~
~~3:05~~ ~~4:00~~

~~57-44~~ 57
~~57-44~~ 57-483

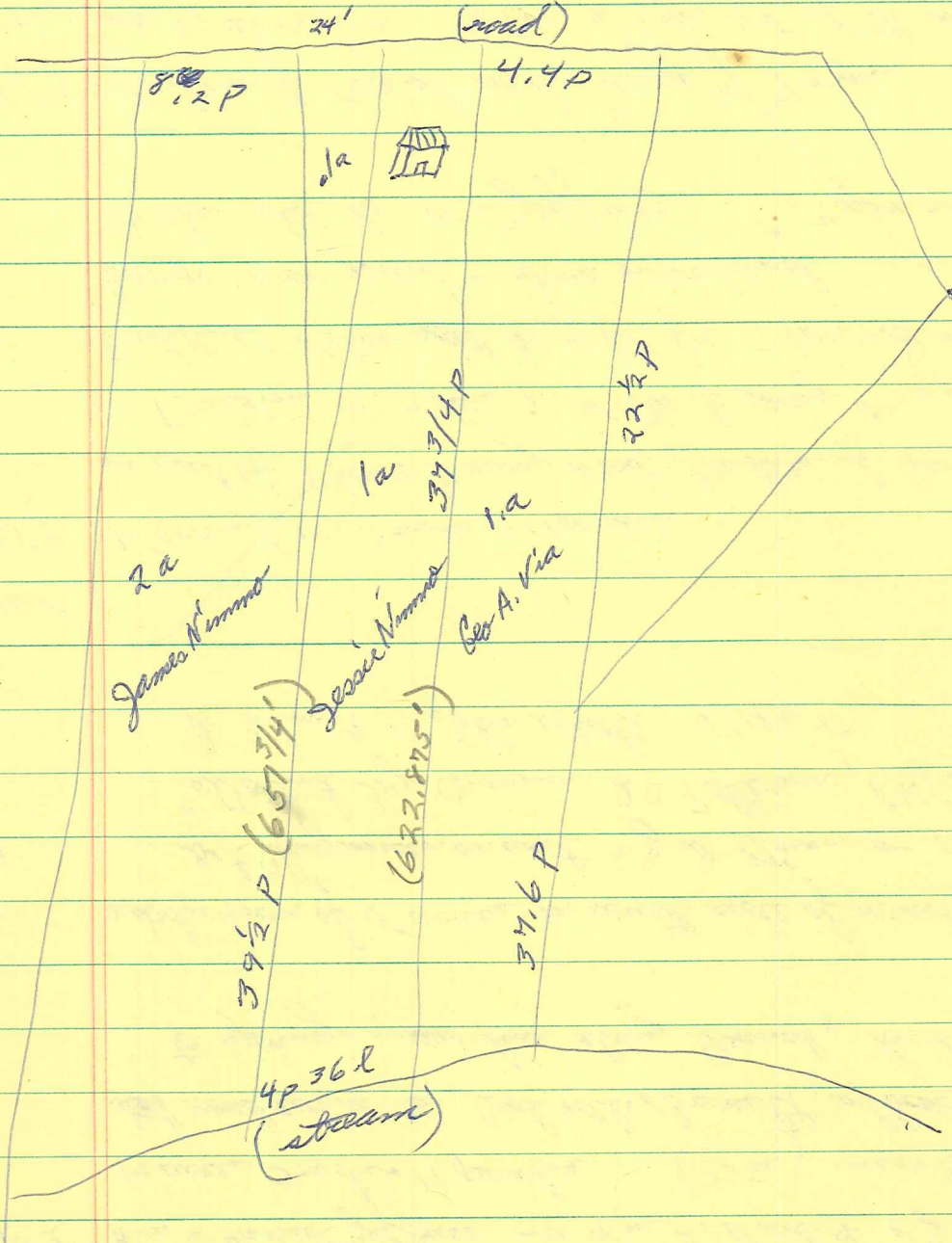
Nimmo

all DB 68-308

~~7/17/1893~~
7/17/1893

Circuit Court decree 5/19/1869 in Jno Wos AM Timberlake
of authority to sell. 9 1/4 acre lot "on south side of rd leading
fr Ch'ville by way of Ridge St to Henry Hartman's mill"
James Lobban, comm, sold to Geo Sinclair 1870
Sinclair → Jessie W Nimmo - 1 acre of tract + small piece

Geo A & Plenna F Sinclair & Drury Wood, comm. →
Jessie W. Nimmo 1.1 acres #190
of all improvements



57-168
55-317
54-47
~~46-334~~
~~47-10~~
~~30-226~~
~~25-226~~

47-487
F Wolfe → H Hartman
1849

4.75 1.6
9.25 1.6
14. 1.58
~~2.11~~
~~1.11~~

A 57-482 Wm & Harriet Jeffries → Wm A. Bibb & E J Timberlake #100 per acre
1859 14 acres 3 rods & 14 perches (15a) near Ch'ville
~~old~~ road corner to Cook & Alex Barrett, of Barrett line to branch,
to spring, new line along branch, to Dr Deatch's line

A 88-23 subdivision of 5 acres on south side of road to Hartman's mill,
3/1883 bet Chapman on west & J & Mimm on east,
"allotted by commr J C Patterson, R K Flanagan, & E Wolfe
to Wm A Bibb's estate 5/1869"

~~A 57-168
3/4/1859 15 acres (14, 3 rods, & 14 perches)
in suit of Thos & Drury Wood, trustees of Geo W Turpin dec, apt
Fontaine M. Wells: Wells to pay \$725,895
Fontaine M Wells ~~was~~ bought for Thos & Drury Wood 1/15/1853
George Carr paid & took over land
Wells sold to Wm Jeffries \$59 per acre = \$859,41~~

~~A 53-357 Andrew J Farish sold George M Turpin
6/12/1854 15 acres (14, 3, 14) & 1 mi SE of Ch'ville & adg
James A Litch, Cook, Alex. Barrett, & others
Turpin has since conveyed his int to Drury Wood as Trustee
12/11/1852
indenture made 6/12/54 bet Andrew J & Martha B Farish
& Thos & Drury Wood \$727,895
w/ appurtenances, no mention of bldg~~

~~no deed to Andrew J Farish; must have inherited from
ancestors at Farish's mill~~

re-check deeds from this point; are 53-357 & 46-334 same?

67-730 Oak Hill estate - but down to 3ac
1873

100-144 4/10/1882 Mirajah Woods & J R Taylor → Geo T + Jesse W Nimmo
~~4/10/1882~~ under 10/9/1876 ^{2/21/1876} deed of trust for B A Sinclair
4/7/1887 lot 82-93

7/17/1873 Geo A & Blenna F Sinclair & Drury Wood exec comm
→ Jesse W. Nimmo
~~lot tract~~ 68-308

^{& side}
Geo & Jesse ~~exec~~ want divide both tracts.

Geo T. Nimmo - southern portion of both tracts w/ right-of-way
thru Jesse's section

Jesse W. Nimmo - northern portion of both tracts w/ access
to spring on Geo's portion; all road frontage, 287' back
on west & 309' back on east, 123' across back

82-93 (see above) \$ 107.72

4/10/1882 ~~part~~ part of 7.1 acre parcel conveyed to B A Sinclair by
Drury Wood comm in Chancery cause Timberlake vs Timberlake
8/8/1874, $\frac{1}{2}$ acre, $\frac{1}{2}$ ^{acre} lot; other half to ~~them~~
on road, adj their other lot

Alb Chancery John W. Timberlake or A M Timberlake et al
7-175 divide tract of land bet this estate ^(Edw. Timberlake) & Wm A. Bibb's

5/19/1869 #1 - 5 acres - Wm A. Bibb estate

#2 - 9.2 acres - Edw. J. Timberlake estate

James Lobban authorized to sell #2

ACD 68325 GA Sinclair -> Jesse W Nimmo 1.1 ac this date

7/17/1873 1/2 -> Geo W. Nimmo

" + all improvements thereon"

71-413 James Lobban, executor of

7/17/1873 ~~confirming~~ confirms sale to Sinclair to clear Nimmo title

built 1870

1180
- 600
580

Nimmo

1871	Ch 1st Ts	Geo Sinclair est	49 2/4 ac	NE Ch 0	+ 4000 = 24,612
"	"	EJ Timb, "	14 3/4 ac	5/4 ac	+ 0 = 1180
1870	2nd list	" " "	"	"	+ 0 = 590
1865	"	" " "	14 3/4 "	5/4 "	" "
1860	"	" " "	"	"	" "

fr Geo W Timson Tract

1872	Ch 1 ² & 2 ²	" " "	" " "	1/25 C	+ 600 = 1180
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Geo Sinclair est - same large tract east

1873	same				
1874		Jesse & Geo T Nimmo	- 1 1/10 ac	1/4 mi sch	+ 150 = 220
		From EJ Timbodahe			fr BA Sinclair
		EJ Timbodahe est	12 3/4 ac		+ 450 = 1020

1875	same (both)				
1876	1st Dist	Nimmo			+ 200 = 350
1877	"	"			+ 200 = 330
1879	same				
1884	"				
1886					+ 270 = 400
1889	same				

1891	(also: 1/2 house James \$320, 1,900)	Jessie W & Geo T	1.1 ac		+ 270 = 605
		Jesse W	1/2 "		+ - = 70

1896, 1901	Jesse W	4 1/5 ac			+ 150 = 325
	Geo T	4 1/5 ac			+ 150 = 325

1917 ^{19, '20} #1 corner	E T Nimmo	4/5 ac	100 + 160 = 260
1921, '23, '25	"	"	200 + 400 = 600
1915 ^{lot of} xxxxxx	"	"	100 + 160 = 260

~~Timberlake~~
 Simlar bought 1870
 & must have built house that yr

∴ building activity 1873-74, 1880-85, 1915-20

summary

1860-1870	EJ Timberlake est	14 ³ / ₄ ac	+ 0 = 590
1871	EJ Timberlake est	14 ³ / ₄ ac (1180)	+ 0 = 1180
1872-73	EJ Timberlake est	14 ³ / ₄ ac (580)	+ 600 = 1180
1874-75	EJ Timberlake est	12 ³ / ₄ ac	[(570) + 450 = 1020]
"	Jesse W & Geo T Nimmo	1.1 ac	(70) + 150 = 220
1876	Jesse W & Geo T Nimmo		(150) + 200 = 350
1877-84	Jesse W & Geo T Nimmo		(130) + 200 = 330
1881-88	Jesse W & Geo T Nimmo		(150) + 200 = 350

~~Geo T Nimmo~~
 & 10%
 Simlar

~~Jesse W. Nimmo~~
bought house 1873 Nimmo

George T. Nimmo
c. 1855 - 1935?

Jesse W. Nimmo
- 1911

James Nimmo
- c. 1917

George F. Nimmo
c. 1853 - 1964

Annie E. T. Tomason
1885 - 1969

- Robert H. Nimmo, 1918 - 1977

? - Charles " - c. 1965

* - Laura T. "

* - Murray F. "

* - Mrs. Herbert M. Hammer (Anna Nimmo)

- Mrs. Forest N. Morris

- Mrs. Thos. P. Nelson

1615 Keith Valley Rd
3-8460

1615 Keith Valley Rd
CR 3-8460

973-6532

Northfields
No. 973-5891

12 chr

* lived in Nimmo house 1960's

Washington

Washington

Ch'ville

Earlyville

Ch'ville

Robt Gray 6-7576
wife is Rebecca Keyes

Nimmos & new owners

have they done a deed search?
how far back have they traced house?
may 2 x cross their research?
what does tradition say about who built it, when, what place it
was on? what have they been told?
how many generations of Nimmos? (copy em?)
additions, what part is oldest
name

Mr Hammer
3-8460

hergf - no hergf
(hergf)
Geo Thos Nimmo built it > 100 yr "way over 100 yr ago"
~~204 yr ago being~~ maybe a little be c1865 - hergf
"Nimmo", not "Nemmo"
carpenter - contractor

back hall always
" bath was porch, put in ^{2nd} fireplace
cottage of fireplace } v. age house
hergf's help } remodeled now
spring, graveyard, old trees
Tonsler's Place at end of St

on old St Clair tract? Nimmos there 200-300 yr?
uncle Jim Nimmo ^{built & house where} lived ^{Lucy} Leanna Simms ^{1850 (108 Hartman's Mill)}
" Jesse " house gone (at ent. to Drive)
aunt's " " Mary Nimmo Brown

→ What was Jesse Nimmo house like?

Mr Morris

k & dr & fireplace room first - k was sep bldg
front room some years later, of said
hergf's home was 2-story
cottage (Q = playhouse for fa's sis, then 7 boys slept there
nurse there too
bought 1868 gf b 1852, older than wife

Complete Picture Not Given on Housing Location, Ridge Lane Opponents Charge

A newly formed Committee Against the Ridge Lane Site today charged the Redevelopment and Housing Authority with "disregard" for the residents of the site and failure to "give a complete picture" of the property.

The committee, which was formed this week to fight the proposed location of a public housing project at Ridge Lane, has a nucleus of about a dozen members but claims support from numerous other Charlottesville residents.

Chairman of the group is Thomas P. Nelson of 1603 Del Mar Dr.

The committee's purpose, Nelson said, is to give the voters "a clearer picture of the proposed site for the low-rent public housing project on Hartman's Mill Road."

Ridge Lane is located off Ridge Street south of Hartman's Mill Road. As proposed by the Authority, it would consist of 20 acres, much of it vacant land lying behind houses on the two streets.

The Authority has said eight families and four individuals would be displaced by the project.

In the center of the site is the Nimmo home occupied by Mrs. George Nimmo, her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hammer, and two sons, Murray and Lewis Nimmo. The home is said to be over 100 years old.

In a statement issued today, the committee said A. E. Arrington, executive director of the Authority, "has failed to give a complete picture of this site. He has shown, publicly, utter disregard for the residents of this area.

"Several white families live in



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"including the Nimmos who have owned property here for over 150 years. South of Hartman's Mill Road are about a dozen homes, including the Nimmo home, that will be lost if this proposal is approved (in the referendum Tuesday)."

The committee added that homes of middle class, high income Negro families border the site on Ridge Street and Hartman's Mill Road.

"These 50 or more land owners will have their lots chopped off 165 feet from the street, leaving up to the backs of their

owners has worked hard for what they now have. They could not possibly duplicate their holdings if they should have to sell.

"The committee cannot over-emphasize the fact that the Ridge Lane site is not a slum area needing redevelopment. This area in 1961 was designated as a good location for future middle class and high income Negro homes."

The committee added that a family cemetery, a number of

Urging a vote against the site, the committee called on each voter "to examine his conscience before recommending that these graves be touched" or that "these homes and land which are the fruits of generations of hard work be destroyed."

Nelson said he would recommend that the housing in stages in the Ridge Lane area as an alternative.

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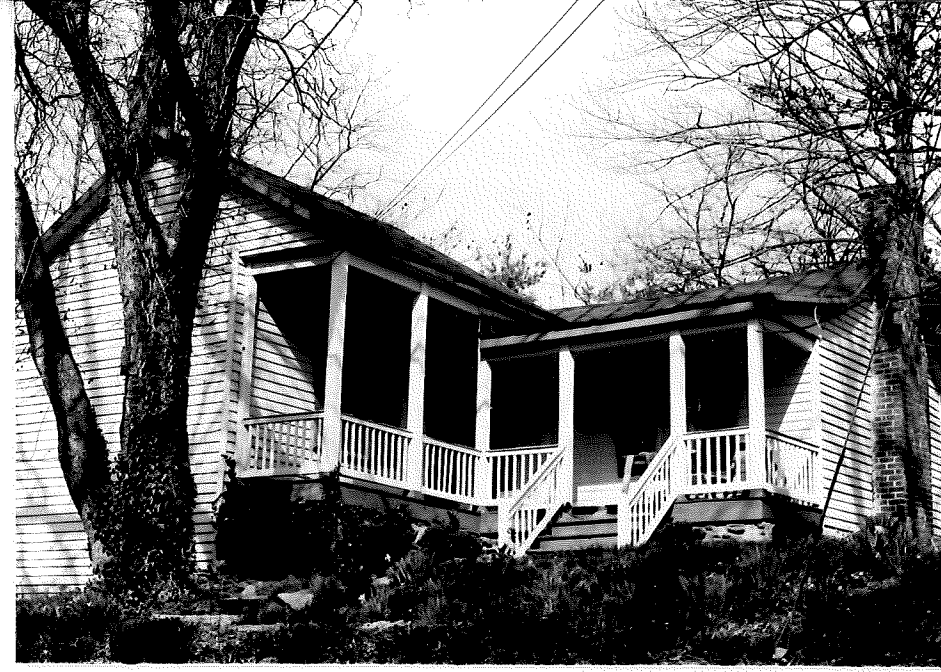
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