

ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS & HERITAGE NOMINATION FORM

Alabama Historical Commission
725 Monroe Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36130

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Corry-Morton Home

AND/OR COMMON

DeForest W. Morton Home

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

323 Hickory Street

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Greenville

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Alabama

VICINITY OF
CODE

COUNTY

Butler

CODE

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 type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mrs. DeForest W. Morton

STREET & NUMBER

323 Hickory Street

CITY, TOWN

Greenville

VICINITY OF

STATE

Alabama

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Butler County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Greenville

STATE

Alabama

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" 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

Built in the mid-1850's, the Corry-Morton House is an example of Greek Revival architecture on a smaller scale. The house has a full-length front porch with the porch roofline supported by 6 plain, square wooden columns.

The 5 bay facade has 4 6/6 double-hung sash windows and 1 single-leaf main entrance flanked by sidelights and topped with a transom. The south side of the structure has 8 windows of the same variety as those of the facade, while the north side has 6 of the same type. The rear of the house has 2 of the 6/6 double-hung sash windows.

The one-story woodframe house has a gently pitched, slate covered pyramidal roof. The house has 4 end-exterior and 1 interior chimney made of brick.

Alterations have been minor. A new kitchen was added shortly after the turn of the century. A bath was added to the master bedroom in 1946. The present master bedroom was originally a dining room. A side porch was enclosed in 1946.

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES Mid-1850's

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Corry-Morton Home in Greenville is a good example of smaller Greek Revival architecture. The home's early history is sketchy since many records were destroyed by fire when Butler County's courthouse burned in 1858.

The present owner's deeds show that the house was sold in 1881 to Captain R. S. Corry and his wife by James H. Harris. It is not known for certain if he was the builder and original owner.

After being owned by Mrs. E. C. Poole, the home was sold to the Mortons in 1946. The minor alterations made by the various owners have not significantly changed the character of the house.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

"Interesting Butler Homes"; Greenville Advocate, April 17, 1952.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY Less than 1 acre

QUADRANGLE NAME Greenville East

QUADRANGLE SCALE 7.5 min.

UTM REFERENCES

A 16 53,602,0 352,112,0

B

ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE CODE COUNTY CODE

STATE CODE COUNTY CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Tom Braxton

ORGANIZATION

DATE

The Historic Landmark Foundation of Butler County

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

125 Boutwell St.

382-2658

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Greenville

Alabama

12 FOR ALABAMA HISTORICAL COMMISSION USE ONLY

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ADDED _____ Number _____

Thematic Category Art-Architecture

National Register Potential

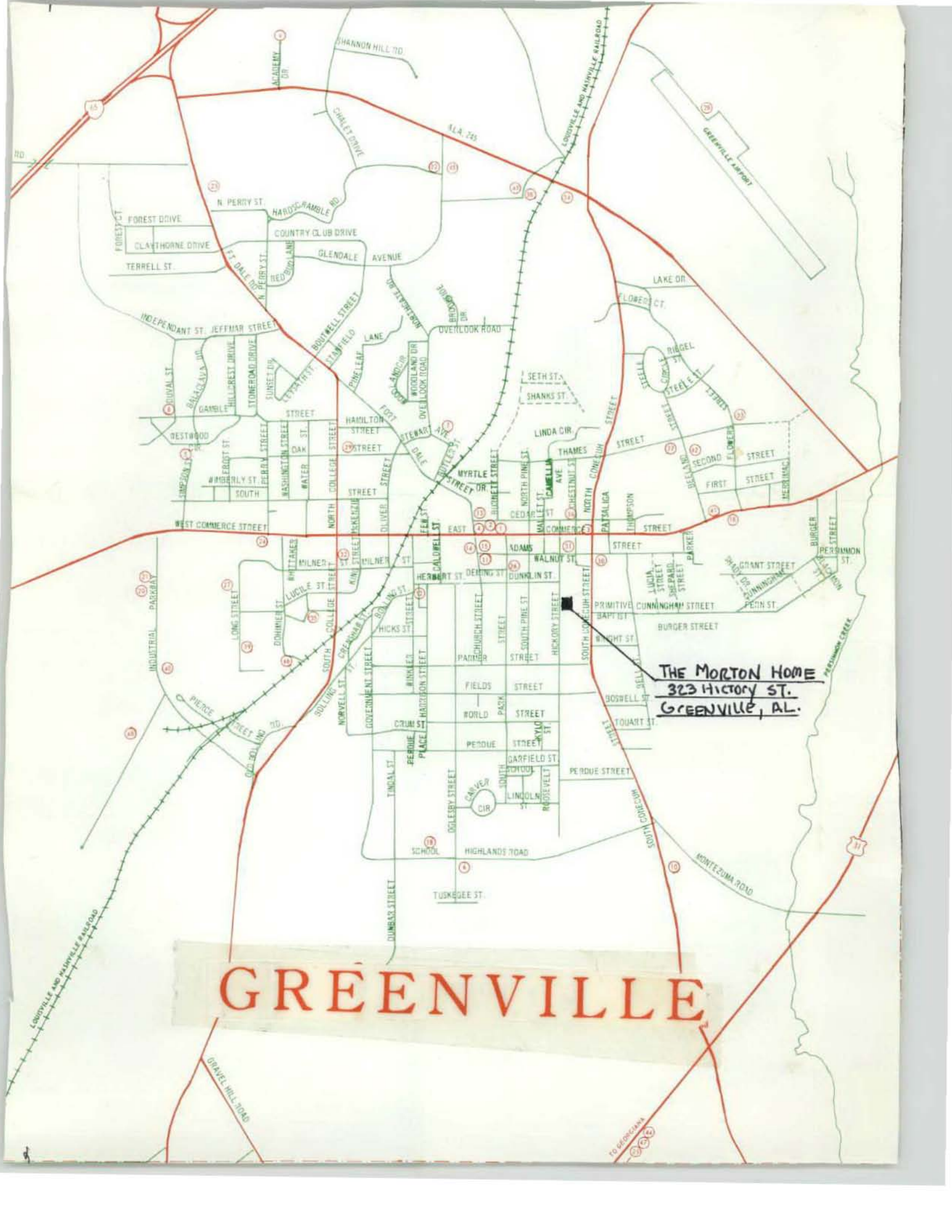
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THE DEFOREST W. MORTON HOME



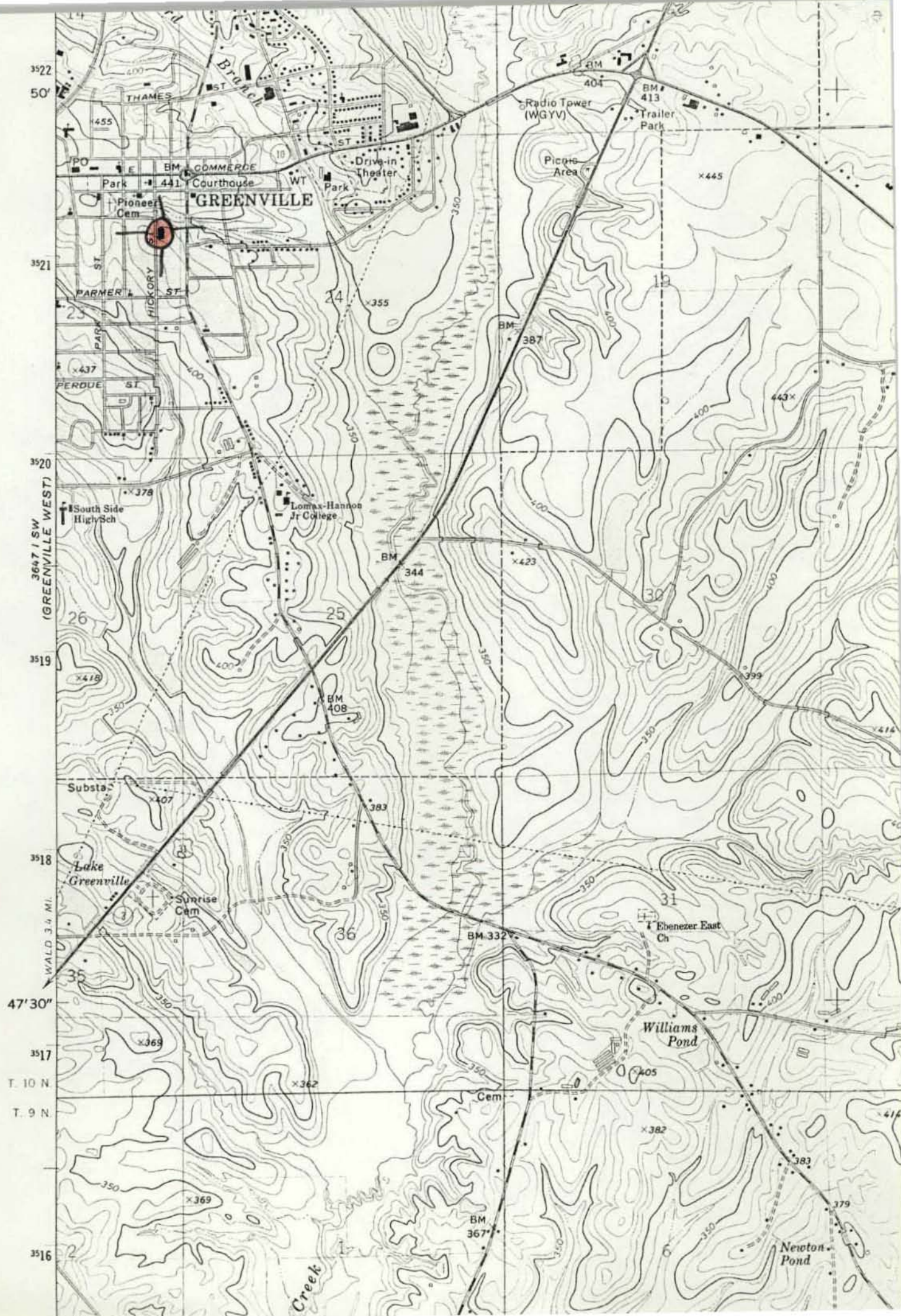
DEEDS SHOW THAT IN 1881 A CAPTAIN R.S. CORY BOUGHT THIS LOVELY HOME FOR HIS WIFE. IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE HOME WAS BUILT LONG BEFORE CAPT. CORY PURCHASED THIS ESTATE, BUT THE RECORDS WERE DESTROYED THEN THE COURT HOUSE BURNED IN 1858. CAPT. CORY MOVED TO GREENVILLE FROM POLLARD, WHERE THE FAMILY RESIDED DURING THE TIME THAT HE SERVED AS A CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, BUILDING THE RAILROAD TO MOBILE. THE RAILROAD WAS COMPLETED AS FAR AS TENSAW STATION, A FEW MILES NORTH OF MOBILE, BEFORE THE WAR OF 1861-65, AND CARRIED ON ACROSS THE RIVER AND INTO MOBILE SOME TIME AFTER THE WAR ENDED. CAPT. CORY WAS A GREAT LEADER IN GETTING THESE TRACKS LAID AND CAME TO GREENVILLE FOR RETIREMENT. THE MORTON HOME WAS LATER OWNED BY THE POOLE FAMILY WHO LIVED THERE FOR SEVERAL YEARS. IT IS LOCATED ON HICKORY STREET, WHERE THERE ARE SEVERAL OF THE OLDER GULF HOMES, AND SEVERAL OF THE LARGER, OLDER CAMELLIA PLANTS. THE HOME IS A ONE STORY FRAME OF GREEK REVIVAL ARCHITECT. IT HAS SIX SQUARE COLUMNS ON THE FRONT PORCH. THIS STRUCTURE IS ONE OF THE MOST INTERESTING AND IS TYPICAL OF THE ONE-STORY COLONIAL HOMES BUILT BEFORE THE CIVIL WAR.

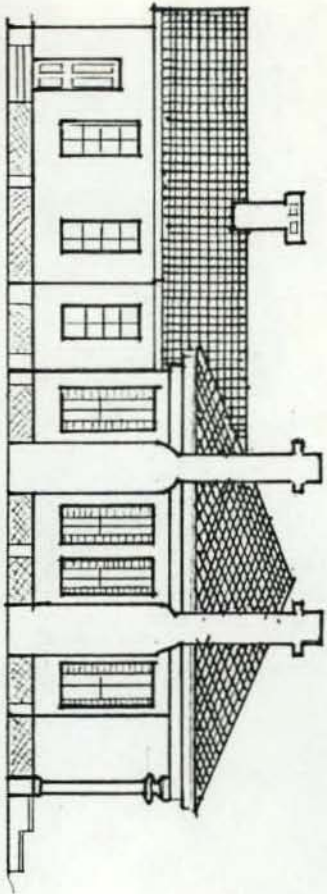
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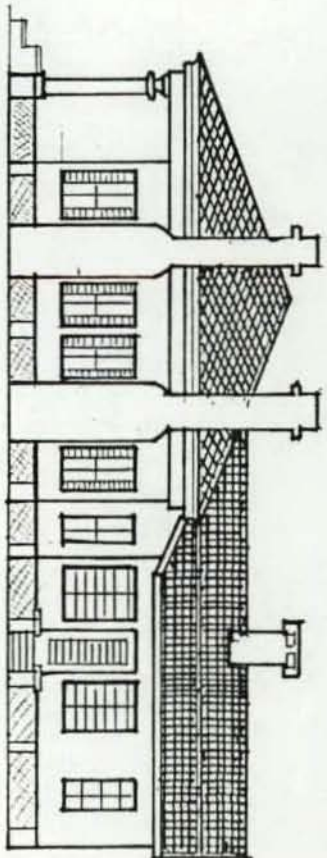
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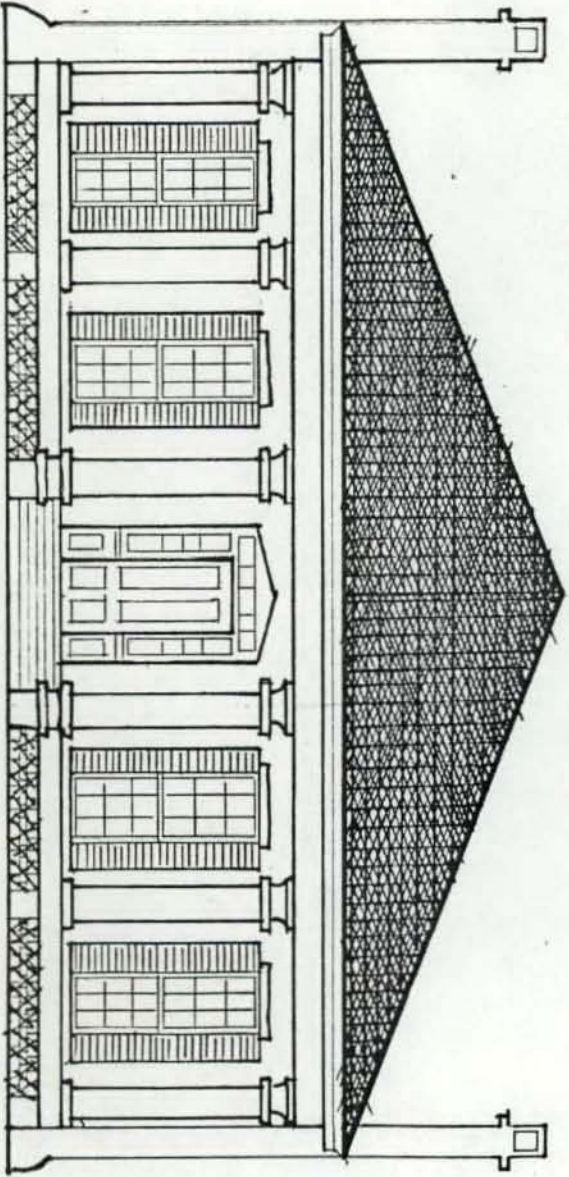




RIGHT ELEVATION



LEFT ELEVATION



FRONT ELEVATION
THE DE FOREST MORTON HOME
1850'S