

United States Department of the Interior
National Park 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 Paine House
and/or common Mr. & Mrs. J. I. Hosick, residence

2. Location

street & number Route 1, Box 19 A not for publication
city, town Xenia vicinity of
state Illinois code 012 county Clay code 025

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

4. Owner of Property

name J. I. & Lois Hosick
street & number Route 1, Box 19 A
city, town Xenia vicinity of state Illinois, 62899

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Clay County Courthouse, Recorder's Office
street & number
city, town Louisville state Illinois, 62858

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Inventory of Historic Landmarks in
title Clay County has this property been determined eligible? yes no
date July 1974 federal state county local
depository for survey records Illinois Department of Conservation
city, town Springfield state Illinois

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

This two story brick residence was built by John McGiffen who acquired the property in 1857. It has both Greek Revival and Gothic Revival details.

There is a touch of Greek Revival detailing inside the house. The exterior has a touch of Gothic Revival represented in the large boards along the eaves. There are two large stone chimneys on the roof of the main part of house which are identical in size and shape.

The house is located in downtown Xenia, Illinois. Xenia is a small village founded in 1834. The house is located on a lot with a 203' frontage and 173' depth. The walks are of large flagstone brought from the old quarry north of Xenia. The trees in the yard are oak, maple, ash, walnut, catalpa and redbud.

The foundation walls are hand hewn blocks 18" by 26". The exterior walls are 12" at the bottom and 9" for the second story. All of the interior walls are of brick except for the one wall dividing the two bedrooms upstairs on the north side of the house.

The house has eight rooms and a wooden structure, added off the kitchen, which was used as a summer kitchen. There are five identical fireplaces, three downstairs and two upstairs. The staircase bannister is of walnut. All of the woodwork is the original and most of the flooring is the original flooring. The ceilings downstairs are 9 feet and are 12 feet upstairs.

The downstairs windows all go to the ceiling and the casements are 90" by 54". The casements of the upstairs windows are the same but do not go to the ceiling as the upstairs ceilings are 12 feet high. All of the windows have 12 glass panes measuring $11\frac{1}{2}$ by $17\frac{1}{2}$.

The large carved front door measures 7' 8" by 3' 2". Directly above the front door are 3 small panes of glass measuring $5\frac{3}{4}$ " by $11\frac{3}{4}$ ". On each side of front door there are 4 panes each measuring 11" by 16".

One of the most outstanding characteristics of this residence is that very few changes or alterations have been made in the 127 years since its construction. The changes which have been made have, for the most part, been based on the technological advances and tend to have been directed toward making the house more habitable. These changes were the installation of electrical wiring, installation of a commercial size gas furnace, and installation of water and sewage lines.

The only structural changes which have been made were the construction of a concrete front porch to replace the one which was beyond repair and the enclosure of a back porch for a full bathroom. A dining room window was enclosed when the bathroom was built. The window panes were left intact as the panes have dates ranging from 1888 to 1940.

This house has always been used as a private residence and has been in the Paine Family and descendants since 1873.

Our plans are to continue with restoration.

This nomination contains one contributing building and no non-contributing resources.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
___ prehistoric	___ archeology-prehistoric	___ community planning	___ landscape architecture	___ religion
___ 1400-1499	___ archeology-historic	___ conservation	___ law	___ science
___ 1500-1599	___ agriculture	___ economics	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> literature	___ sculpture
___ 1600-1699	___ architecture	___ education	___ military	___ social/
___ 1700-1799	___ art	___ engineering	___ music	humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	___ commerce	___ exploration/settlement	___ philosophy	___ theater
___ 1900-	___ communications	___ industry	___ politics/government	___ transportation
		___ invention		___ other (specify)

Specific dates 1858 Builder/Architect John McGiffen

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

This house was the home of the author, Albert Bigelow Paine, from 1873 until 1888. It was here that he started writing poems and short stories.

Paine was reared in a family of avid readers. His older sister, Fannie, was writing poetry at the age of 15. She was instrumental in his starting to write. The publication of some of his works in the local papers, Xenia Progress and Patriot's Bulletin, gave him the incentive to continue his efforts.

He was born in New Bedford, Mass., July 10, 1861; died New Smyrna Beach, Fla., April 9, 1937. He was educated in the public schools of Xenia, Illinois. He worked for several years in St. Louis, Mo., as a photographer and dealer in photographic supplies. In 1895 he moved to New York, where he engaged in editorial work on several periodicals and where he created and edited (1899-1909) the popular "St. Nicholas League" department of the St. Nicholas Magazine. He is best remembered, however, as the biographer, literary executor, and close friend of Mark Twain whom he met in 1901. His three volume biography of Twain was published in 1912 and has been highly regarded. He was editor of Twain's letters and other unpublished works. Other biographical works were: Thomas Nast (cartoonist), His Period and His Pictures (1904), "Life and Lillian Gish" (1932), "Joan of Arc, Maid of France" (1925), "The Boy's Life of Mark Twain" (1915) a biography for young readers.

Some of his children's books were: "Hollow Tree Nights and Days", "The Hollow Tree and Deep Woods Book", "The Hollow Tree Snowed-in Book", "Hollow Tree Stories", "The Beacon Prize Medals & Other Stories" (1899), "The Arkansas Bear" and "The Dumpies".

Some of his humorous books were: "The Van-Dwellers" (1901-home life), "From Van-Dweller to Commuter" (home life), "The Ship Dwellers" (1910-travel), and "The Tent Dwellers" (camping).

Other published books were "Peanut" (1913), "The Bread Line", "The Mystery of Evelin Delorme" (1894), book of poetry, "Rhymes by Two Friends", (1893). This book was co-authored with William Allen White, author and journalist.

His books were published by Harper & Brothers, N. Y. except for "The Beacon Prize Medals" published by The Baker & Taylor Co., N.Y., "The Mystery of Evelin Delorme", Arena Publishing Co., Boston, "The Van-Dwellers", J. F. Taylor Co., N.Y., and "Rhymes by Two Friends", M. L. Izor & Son, Fort Scott, Kansas.

A short story, "The Abandoned Farm Dwellers" appeared in the McCall's Magazine, November, 1918.

According to the cut line which appeared with his picture in the St. Louis Globe Democrat, at the time of his death, he was a member of the Pulitzer Prize Commission.

This house was identified in Historic Preservation: Opportunities for the Embarras Region (1976) as worthy of restoration and preservation.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Recorder's Office, Louisville, Illinois, 62858
Encyclopedia Americana, International Edition, Volume 21, Page 104
St. Louis Globe Democrat, St. Louis, Mo., April 10, 1937
Historic Preservation: Opportunities for the Embarras Region (1976)
McCall's Magazine, November, 1918, Volume XLVI

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property less than one

Quadrangle name Xenia, IL

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References

A

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B

Zone			Easting				Northing							

C

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D

Zone			Easting				Northing							

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Zone			Easting				Northing							

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Zone			Easting				Northing							

G

Zone			Easting				Northing							

H

Zone			Easting				Northing							

Verbal boundary description and justification

West one hundred seventy-three (173) feet of Lot Number Three (3) in Trustee's Addition to the Village of Xenia, Illinois.

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 Mr. & Mrs. J. I. Hosick

organization

date July 9, 1985

street & number Route 1, Box 19 A

telephone 618-678-2287

city or town Xenia

state Illinois, 62899

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title Acting Director

date 9/25/85

For NPS use only

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

Entered in the
National Register

date 11/14/85

Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

REF #
85002843

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Paine House
Clay County
ILLINOIS

Working No. OCT 17 1985
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/3/87
Date Due: 11/14/85 - 12/1/85
Action: ACCEPT 11-14-85
 RETURN
 REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

Entered in the
National Register

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

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	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

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6. Representation in Existing Surveys

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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

8. Significance

Period Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance *(in one paragraph)*

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

Paine House
Clay County
ILLINOIS

9. Major Bibliographical References

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Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

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The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature _____

title date

13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



Paine Residence

Xenia, Illinois

Photographer--Lindell Smith

December 16, 1984

508 East Fifth, Flora, Illinois 62839

Camera facing south. Living room fireplace.

All 5 fireplaces are identical.

Number 1



Paine Residence
Xenia, Illinois
Photographer--Lindell Smith
December 16, 1984
508 E. Fifth, Flora, Illinois 62839
Camera facing south. Window which was enclosed
when full bath was made on part of a back porch.

No. 2



Paine Residence
Xenia, Illinois
Photographer--Lindell Smith
December 16, 1984
508 E. Fifth, Flora, Illinois 62839
Camera facing east. Walnut bannister

No. 3



Paine Residence
Kenia, Illinois
Photographer--Lindell Smith
December 16, 1984
508 E. Fifth, Flora, Illinois 62839
Camera at a northeast angle. Close up of
front of house.

No. 4



Paine Residence
Xenia, Illinois
Photographer--Lindell Smith
December 16, 1984
508 E. Fifth, Flora, Illinois 62839
Camera facing southeast showing front and
north side of house.

No. 5



Paine Residence

Xenia, Illinois

Photographer--Lindell Smith

December 16, 1984

508 E. Fifth, Flora, Illinois 62839

Camera facing southwest showing rear of house.

Wooden structure in foreground is summer kitchen.

Back porch partially enclosed for full bath.

No. 6



Paine Residence
Xenia, Illinois
Photographer--Lindell Smith
December 16, 1984
508 E. Fifth, Flora, Illinois 62839
Camera facing northwest to show entire south
side of house.

No. 7



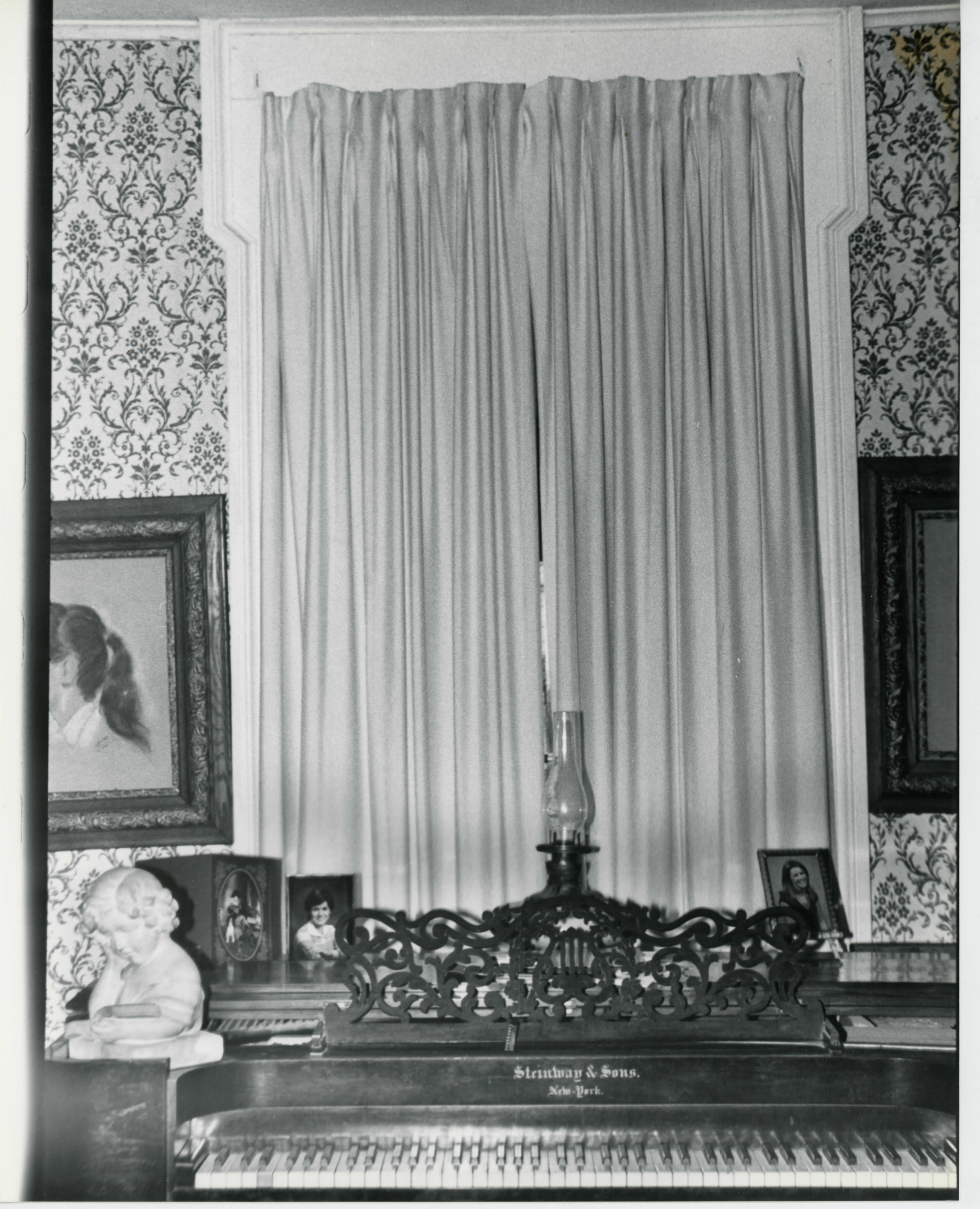
Paine Residence
Xenia, Illinois
Photographer--Lindell Smith
December 16, 1984
508 E. Fifth, Flora, Illinois 62839
Camera facing north. Dining room window which
was enclosed when full bath was built on part of
the back porch.

No. 8



Paine Residence
Xenia, Illinois
Photographer--Lindell Smith
December 16, 1984
508 E. Fifth, Flora, Illinois 62839
Camera facing northeast showing front and
south side of house.

No. 9



Steinway & Sons.
New York.

Paine Residence

Xenia, Illinois

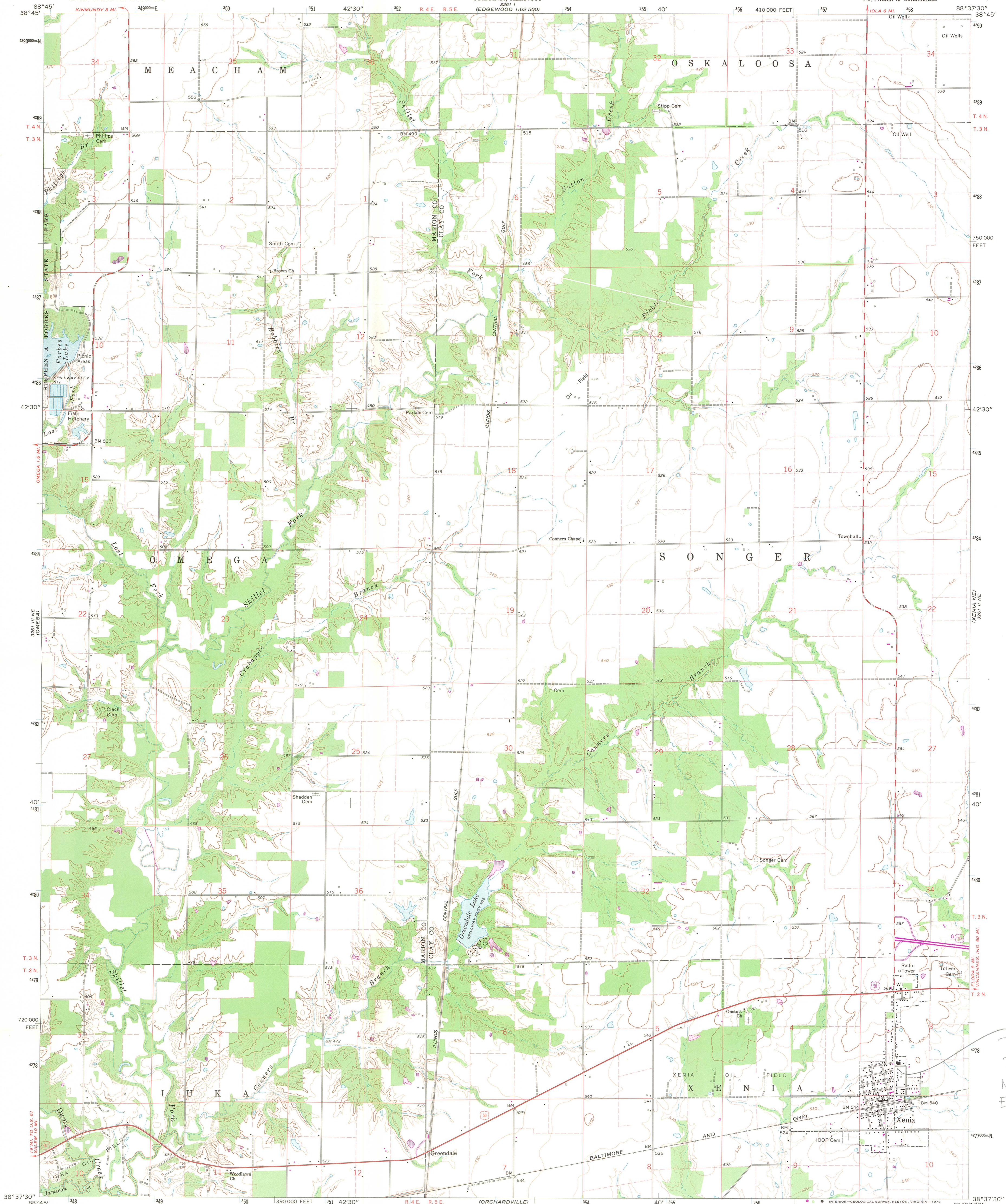
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December 16, 1984

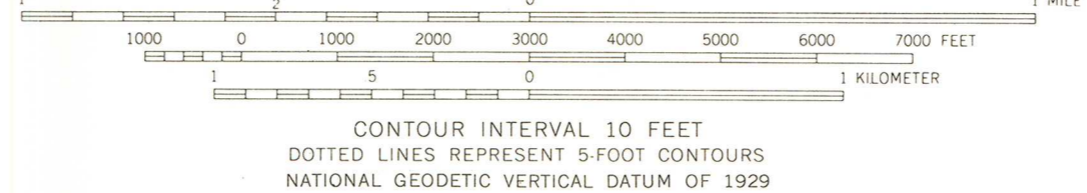
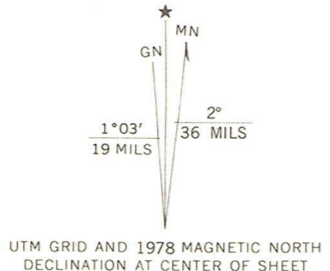
508 E. Fifth, Flora, Illinois 62839

Camera facing east. One of four living room windows. Woodwork in living room and the downstairs hallway is the same.

No. 10



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Control by USGS and USC&GS
Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial
photographs taken 1966. Field checked 1968
Polyconic projection, 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Illinois coordinate system, east zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 16, shown in blue
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked
Revisions shown in purple compiled from aerial photographs
taken 1976 and other source data. This information
not field checked. Map edited 1978



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty	Light-duty
Medium-duty	Unimproved dirt
U.S. Route	

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
FOR SALE BY U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, RESTON, VIRGINIA 22092
AND BY THE STATE GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, URBANA, ILLINOIS 61801
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

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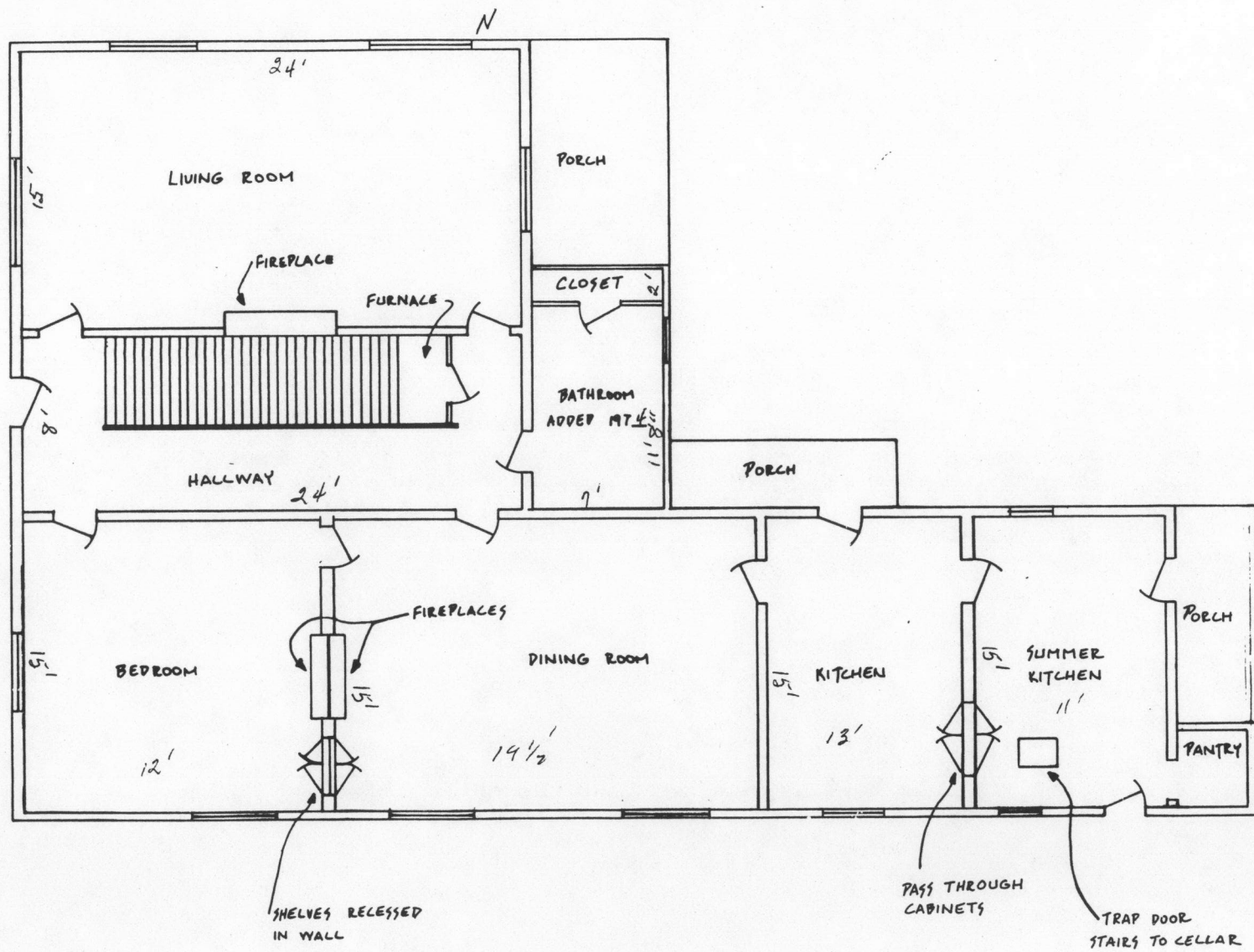
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Kenia, Illinois

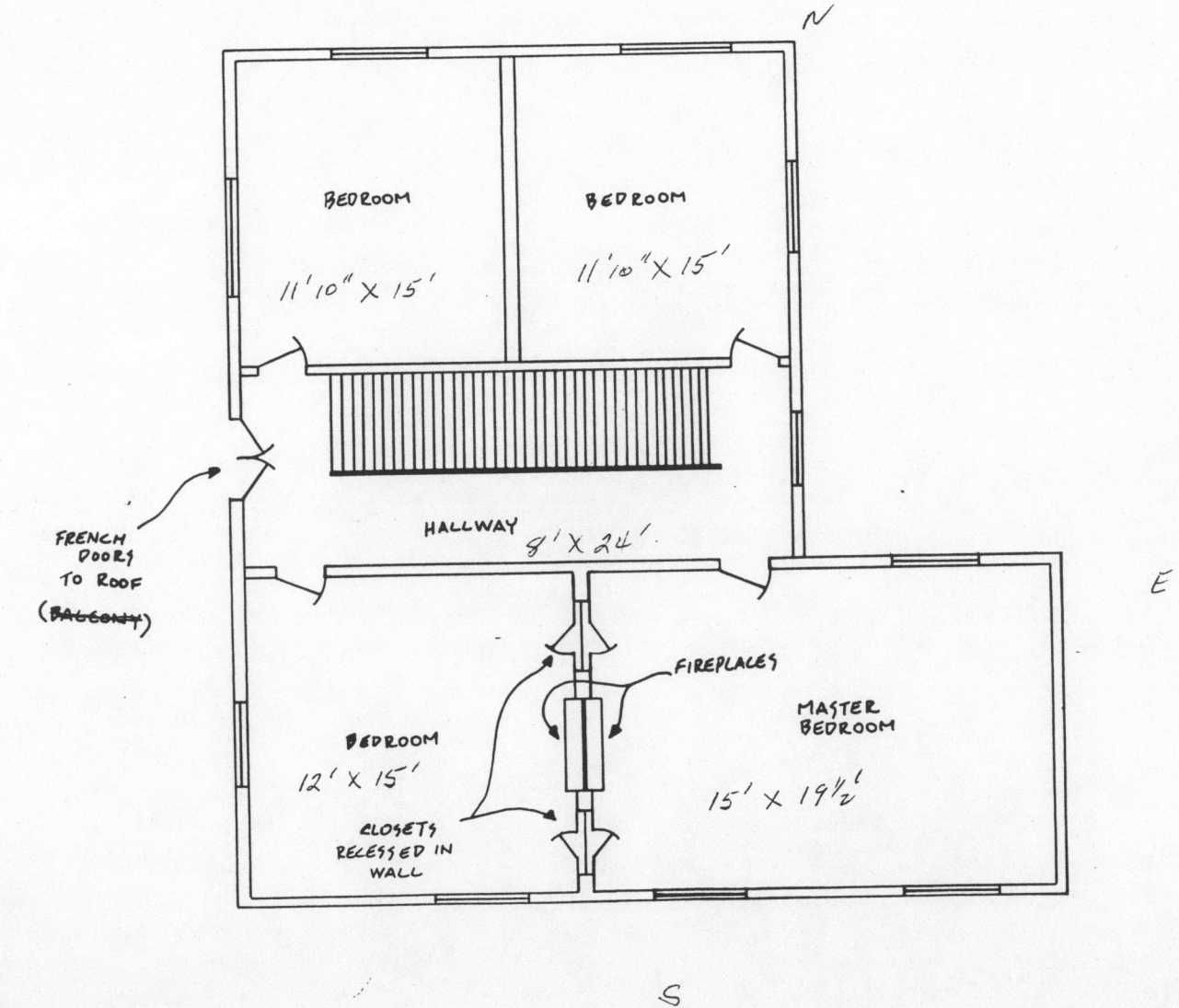
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rough sketch and are not according to scale.

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Submitted by:
Mr. & Mrs. J. I. Hosick
R.R. 1, Box 19 A
Kenia, Illinois 62899



FIRST FLOOR



SECOND FLOOR

Paine Residence
 Xenia, Illinois
 Plans drawn by Landis Corp., Tulsa, Ok., from
 rough sketch and are not according to scale.

Submitted by:
 Mr. & Mrs. J. I. Hosick
 R.R. 1, Box 19 A
 Xenia, Illinois, 62899



Illinois Historic Preservation Agency

Old State Capitol • Springfield • 62701

October 2, 1985

Beth Grosvenor
National Register Program
National Park Services
Department of the Interior
1100 L Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Beth:

Enclosed please find the following completed National Register forms with the photographs and USGS map for each:

1. Cox, George H., House
2. The Gage Group
3. Hitt, Samuel M., House
4. Illinois State Capitol
5. Logan Square Boulevards Historic District
- ✓6. Paine House

This is one of three packages being mailed to you today, representing all nomination forms ready for your review at this time.

Sincerely yours,

Ann V. Swallow
Assistant National Register
Coordinator

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Enclosure

OCT 17 1985