

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

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RECEIVED MAY 31 1979

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

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Compton, Dr. James, Residence *House*

AND/OR COMMON

Sandy's Oak Ridge Manor Tea House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

5410 N.E. Oak Ridge Road

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Kansas City

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

VICINITY OF

#6 Hon. E. Thomas Coleman

STATE

Missouri

CODE

29

COUNTY

Clay

CODE

147

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE

BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

ACCESSIBLE

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- COMMERCIAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Louise Sandstrom

STREET & NUMBER

5410 N.E. Oak Ridge Road

CITY, TOWN

Kansas City

VICINITY OF

STATE

Missouri 64119

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Office of the Assessor
City Hall, 2nd Floor

STREET & NUMBER

414 East 12th Street

CITY, TOWN

Kansas City

STATE

Missouri 64106

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

1. Preliminary Inventory of Architecture and Historic Sites
of Kansas City, Missouri

DATE

1974

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Landmarks Commission of Kansas City, Missouri

CITY, TOWN

Kansas City

STATE

Missouri

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT DETERIORATED
 GOOD RUINS
 FAIR UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Dr. James Compton Residence, 5410 N.E. Oak Ridge Road, is located in Kansas City's North District. The frame building, with an irregular plan, faces south. It sits back approximately 165 feet from the road. The building consists of several additions to an original log structure. Several outbuildings are located on the grounds.

Over-all Dimensions

The width of the building is approximately 65 feet. The depth varies.

Construction materials and colors

The residence is of frame construction. Areas of the clapboard cover the original log construction. The older portions of the building have rubble stone foundations, while the newer portions have foundations of concrete blocks or poured concrete. The building is painted white, with some door and window trim and shutters painted green. Various window types are used - primarily double hung sash windows in the older sections and aluminum storm windows in the more recent additions.

South facade

This main facade of the house is approached by a long concrete sidewalk, leading from a gravel circle drive. The facade consists of two sections. The longer section, on the east (Site Plan #1), is the older portion of the house, and originally consisted of two¹ log cabins, constructed around 1829, that were later moved together. A porch stretches along this portion of the house, with a hip roof supported by eight narrow, paired wood columns. The porch has a poured concrete floor. Two entrance doors are placed symmetrically in this section. Two narrow rectangular windows are positioned between the entrance doors. Two shallow rectangular windows are located in the attic area.

Set back approximately five feet from this section, on the west, is a two-story frame² addition (Site Plan #1a) the last addition by the Compton family. An entrance door, located near the joining of the two sections, has been enclosed. On the first floor of this addition are two narrow rectangular windows, symmetrically positioned, and above them are two shorter rectangular windows with shutters.

East facade

This facade consists of additions also made by the Compton family.³ Immediately behind the one-room-deep front facade, is a second room addition (Site Plan #1b) that projects approximately four feet to the east of the front facade. A long narrow extension (Site Plan #1c) projects beyond this, with a north-south axis, and is set back to the

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2. Missouri Historic Sites Catalogue
Edited by Dorothy J. Caldwell
1963
State Historical Society of Missouri
Columbia, Missouri
3. "Get to Know Old Clay" Historical Tour
1973
Clay County Historical Society
Liberty, Missouri
4. Kansas City, A Place in Time
1977
Landmarks Commission of Kansas City
Kansas City, Missouri
5. Missouri State Historical Survey
1979
Office of Historic Preservation
Department of Natural Resources
P.O. Box 176
Jefferson City, Mo. 65102

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west. It appears that this wing may have been constructed in two stages. The windows of the east facade have an irregular placement.

West facade

Behind the western addition to the south (main) facade is another addition (Site Plan #1d). This consists of a dining room and kitchen, added around 1952 when the residence was converted into a restaurant. This addition has a flat roof. An entrance to the dining room from the exterior is by a flight of wooden steps. The west facade of the older portion of the house is articulated by four irregularly placed and shaped windows.

North facade

On the east is an older portion of the house, with a centrally placed window. On the west is the newer dining room addition. Projecting back near the center of this facade, is a sheet metal covered kitchen addition, set on concrete blocks.

Roofs

The main portions of the house have asphalt shingled gable roofs. The porch has a hip roof and the dining room addition at the northwest corner has a flat roof.

Chimneys

Two brick chimneys are visible from the south facade, one in the center of the original portion of the residence and one in the eastern addition to the house. The rear wing of the east facade has a centrally placed brick chimney.

Alterations

Major alterations to the residence have been minimal. A carport has been added to the southeast corner of the residence and a dining room and kitchen addition have been added to the northwest corner of the residence.

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Outbuildings

Several outbuildings are located around the house. They include:

- 1) a frame blacksmith shop, painted white (Site Plan #2)
- 2) an imitation log-construction chapel, painted red, built for the current owner around 1958.⁴ (Site Plan #3)
To the northwest of the chapel is a small pond.
- 3) a small frame cottage that was moved to its current location from Winwood Lake by the current owner,⁵ (Site Plan #4)
- 4) a one and one-half story frame guest house, supported on stone piles, that was constructed by the Compton family⁶ (Site Plan #5)
- 5) a smoke house that stood on the grounds recently collapsed.

Present Status

The residence is currently used as a restaurant. A portion of the buildings is used by the owner as a residence.

Condition

The residence is in good condition.

Site

The residence sits in a rather isolated setting, in hilly terrain. It sits well back from the road and the grounds are well maintained. A gravel circle drive is located in front of the residence. In the center of this drive is a large,⁷ metal statue of Justice that once topped the Clay County Courthouse. To the west of the circle drive is a gravel surfaced parking lot.

FOOTNOTES

¹Jane Winn Killam, "The Compton Family in Clay County," Clay County Museum Association, Dec. 1968. The 1829 construction date is based on oral tradition.

²Interview with Mrs. Louise Sandstrom, 12 April 1978.

³Ibid.

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⁴Ibid.

⁵Ibid.

⁶Ibid.

⁷Dorothy J. Caldwell, editor, Missouri Historic Sites Catalogue
(Columbia, Missouri: State Historical Society of Missouri, 1963); p. 30.

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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	—ECONOMICS	—LITERATURE	—SCULPTURE	
—1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	—EDUCATION	—MILITARY	—SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
—1700-1799	—ART	—ENGINEERING	—MUSIC	—THEATER	
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—1900-	—COMMUNICATIONS	—INDUSTRY	—POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	—OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		—INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1829

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The James H. Compton Residence, 5410 Northeast Oak Ridge Road, in Kansas City, Missouri's North District, is one of the oldest surviving residential structures in the city and has a lengthy association with a prominent Clay County family. The residence, built around a log cabin of 1829 remained in the Compton family for 110 years, from 1844 until 1954. The residence was a center of social life in Clay County and today serves as a visible reminder of pioneer life.

COMPTON FAMILY HISTORY

Dr. James Howard Compton was born in Prince William County, Virginia, in 1815. He studied to become a dentist, but the call of the frontier triumphed over his dental career. In 1834 he moved to Platte County, Missouri, and for a number of years was engaged in the mercantile business at Platte City. In 1840 he married Mary Anne Wirt. The daughter of George Wirt, she was born in Shelby County, Kentucky, in 1820. The Wirt family had moved to Clay County in 1833. After their marriage, the Comptons resided on the Wirt farm until they moved to this property in 1844. Around 1846 or 1847 Compton hauled government supplies for the United States Army during the Mexican War, across the Santa Fe Trail to Santa Fe, New Mexico. James and Mary Ann Compton had nine children, one of whom died in infancy. The children were all educated at a near-by private school, Sugar Tree Grove Academy.¹

Compton purchased the farm which he named "Oak Ridge", in 1844² from Jonathan Adkins, recipient of the original land grant in 1833.² The residence originally consisted of two log cabins, built in 1829, placed close together with a narrow, covered "dog walk" connecting them. A six foot space separated the cabins and a double fireplace was used between them. The³ log construction is still visible on the interior of one of the rooms.

The large family was noted for their hospitality and southern geniality. Christmas, especially, was a big event on the farm. As many as forty-five guests were known to have gathered for the festivities. At times every bed was occupied and feather ticks, kept expressly for this purpose, were spread on the downstairs floors to accommodate guests. The house⁴ would be decorated with wild berries and greenery gathered on the farm.⁴

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

1. "A Home Lives 100 Years". Kansas City Times, 4 October 1944, p. 1.
2. "A Yule Log Burns Out". Kansas City Times, 23 December 1938, pp. 1-2.

Cont'd

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY approx. 7½ acres

QUADRANGLE NAME North Kansas City, Mo-Kan

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24,000

UTM REFERENCES

A	15	3 69	4 40	4 31	39	4 40
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING			

B						
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING			

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	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING			

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G						
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING			

H						
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING			

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

COMPTONS SUB PRT TRACT 3 BEG NW CORN SD TR TH S 163.4 FT TH S68 DEG 46 MIN E 595.49 FT TO WLY R/W LI I35 TH NELY ALG SD R/W LI TO A PT 20 FT

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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

1. Sherry Piland, Architectural Historian

ORGANIZATION

Landmarks Commission

DATE

December 4, 1978

STREET & NUMBER

26th Floor East, City Hall

TELEPHONE

(816) 274-2555

CITY OR TOWN

Kansas City

STATE

Missouri 64106

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

5-23-79

TITLE Director, Department of Natural Resources and State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER
 ATTEST:

DATE 7.00.79

CHIEF OF REGISTRATION
 WILLIAM H. BRENNAN

DATE 7.5.79

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The field hands were customarily given a Christmas holiday as long as the yule backlog continued to burn. The hands were careful to choose a big log of slow burning wood and then to soak it in the creek for a week or two, insuring a lengthy vacation. Wild turkey for the Christmas meal could be shot on the property.⁵

Guerrilla skirmishes of the Civil War did not directly affect the Compton residence, but following the Union victory most of the slaves left. The remaining house servants continued⁶ to live on the farm many years as respected members of the household.

Daily life on the farm was organized so that each member of the family had a special responsibility. For example, Mary Ann Compton's special task was knitting stockings and mittens for the family and slaves.⁷

Cotton and wheat were the principal crops raised on the farm. A popular annual event was the sugar camp. After boring holes in the maple trees, spigots were inserted to collect the sap. Visitors⁸ gathered for the camp, which included generous meals and entertainment.

The family owned the first cooking stove in the area. Neighbors traveled for miles to see it operated. A Thanksgiving turkey was burned to a crisp by the Compton women who were accustomed to cooking over an open fireplace.⁹

The family belonged to the Antioch Christian Church. The only time the Antioch Church annual strawberry festival, which dates from 1885, was not held at the church was in 1929. That year road construction blocked access to the church and the festival was held instead at the Compton residence.¹⁰ Entertaining large groups was a continuing Compton tradition. In 1944 Emma Compton, then 84 years old, received five hundred guests at an open house to celebrate one hundred years of the family's residence at the home. This was accomplished without the conveniences of electricity or running water.¹¹

Following the death of James Compton in 1879, the farm was operated by his only son, George Thomas Compton. Mary Ann Compton had died in 1895. The daughters all married and moved away, with the exception of Emma, who continued to live on the farm until 1954.¹² The farm gradually

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changed from a working farm to use as a resort. This was a natural extension of the hospitality of the family. In the 1890's J. W. Jenkins, founder of the Jenkins Music Company in Kansas City, rented the farm every year for a week, to give his family a taste of country life.¹³ Howard Tyng Mervine, also of Kansas City and general manager of the Railway Express Agency, visited the farm annually for 45 years.¹⁴

In 1954 Emma Compton sold the residence to Louise Sandstrom. At that time it still did not have electricity or running water. It was lighted with kerosene lamps and heated with stoves and four fireplaces. Louise Sandstrom modernized the residence, but without changing its authenticity and pioneer flavor, and opened it as a restaurant, Sandy's Oak Ridge Manor. She also made some additions to the original residence. Emma Compton had sold the residence with all furnishings intact. Her bedroom remains just as she left it. Many of the family's furnishings from pioneer days are displayed around the restaurant, including Dr. Compton's dentistry instruments.¹⁵

The survey of Missouri's historic sites is based on the selection of sites as they relate to theme studies in Missouri history, as outlined in "Missouri's State Historic Preservation Plan". The Compton residence is, therefore, being nominated to the National Register of Historic Places as an example of the themes of "Architecture", "Exploration and Settlement", and "Society".

FOOTNOTES

¹W. H. Woodson, History of Clay County (Topeka: Historical Publishing Co., 1920), pp. 447-448 and Jane Winn Killam, "The Compton Family in Clay County", Clay County Museum Association, December, 1968.

²Katherine G. Bushman, Index of the First Plat Book of Clay County, Missouri, 1819-1875 (Staunton, Virginia: n.p., 1967) pp. 67-68.

³Killam, "The Compton Family in Clay County".

⁴Dorothy J. Caldwell, "Christmas in Early Missouri", Missouri Historical Review 65 (Jan. 1971): 135.

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⁵"A Yule Log Burns Out", Kansas City Times, 23 December 1938, pp. 1-2.

⁶Ibid.

⁷Killam, "The Compton Family in Clay County".

⁸Vera Eldridge, Clipping and Photograph Collection, Liberty, Missouri.

⁹"Restaurants - Oak Ridge Manor". Vertical File, Missouri Valley Room, Kansas City Public Library, Kansas City, Missouri.

¹⁰G. Fred Wickman, "Country Social Epitomized in Strawberry Festival", Kansas City Star, 18 May 1978, p. 3, Sec. North.

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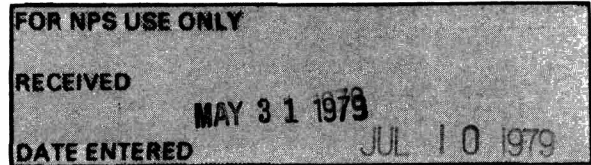
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¹³Interview with Mrs. Louise Sandstrom, 12 April 1978.

¹⁴"Compton, Emma - Pioneer - Oakridge Farm Home", Clipping File, Missouri Valley Room, Kansas City Public Library, Kansas City, Missouri.

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION
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2. James M. Denny, Section Chief, Nominations-Survey
and State Contact Person
Department of Natural Resources
Office of Historic Preservation
P.O. Box 176
Jefferson City
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314/751-4096
Missouri 65102

Property

Compton, Dr. James, Residence

House

29003677

State

Mo. (Clay)

Working Number

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TECHNICAL

Photos 8

Maps 4 Plan

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OK 5.31.79

HISTORIAN

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

Early vernacular residence - evolution from 189 cabins to current structure - now used as restaurant.

accept
Braham
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ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

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Inventory _____

Review _____

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BRANCH CHIEF

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National Register Write-up _____

Federal Register Entry *8-7-79*

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Kansas City, Missouri #198

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Sept. 1978

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Clay
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South facade; view looking north.
View shows circle drive and statue
of Justice.

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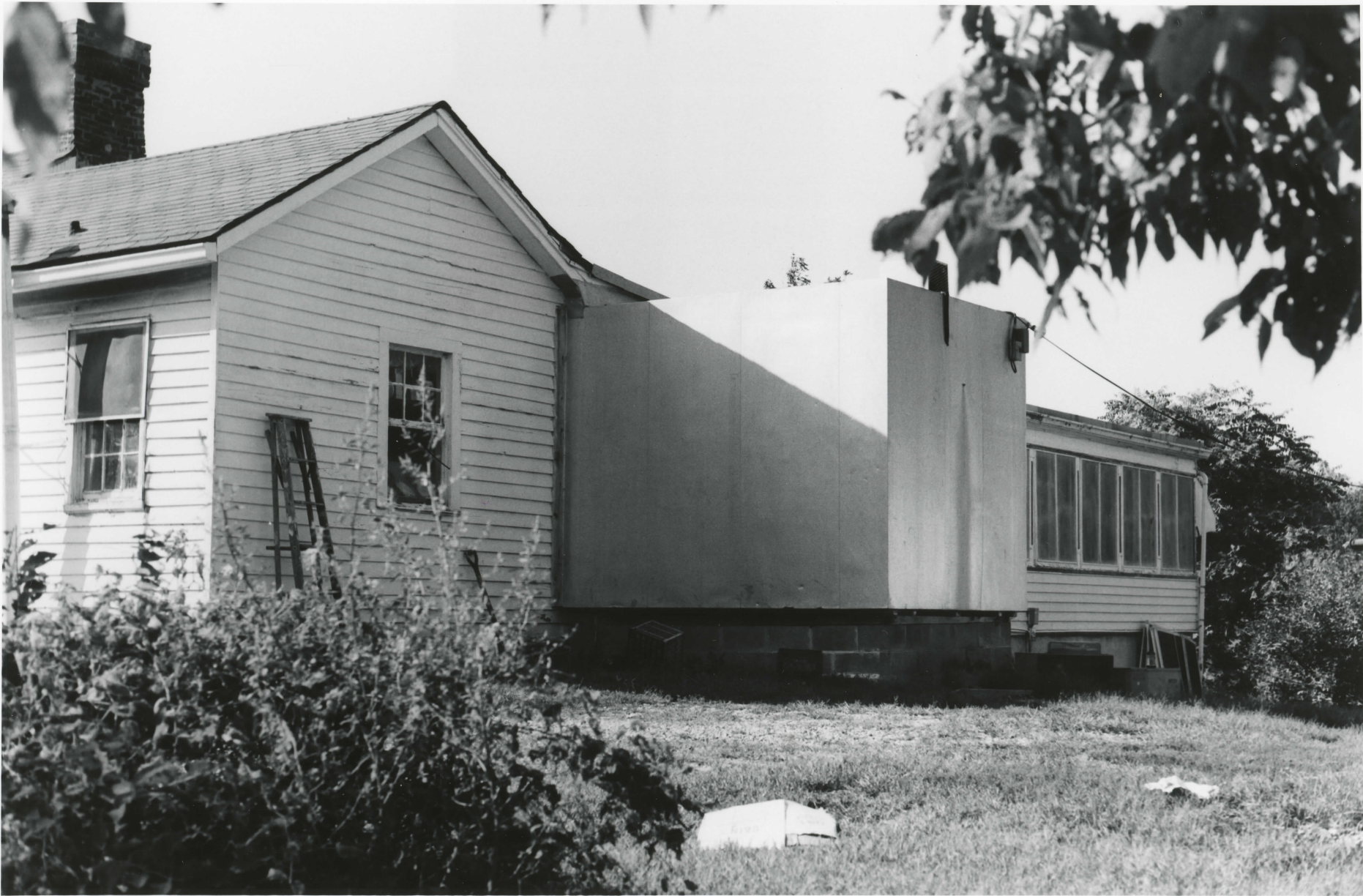
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East and north facades; view looking
southwest. View shows north facade
on right and east facade on left.

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North facade; view looking southwest.

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Chapel; view looking northwest.
View shows south and east facades.

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South (main) facade. View looking
northeast.

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Kansas City, Missouri #6 18
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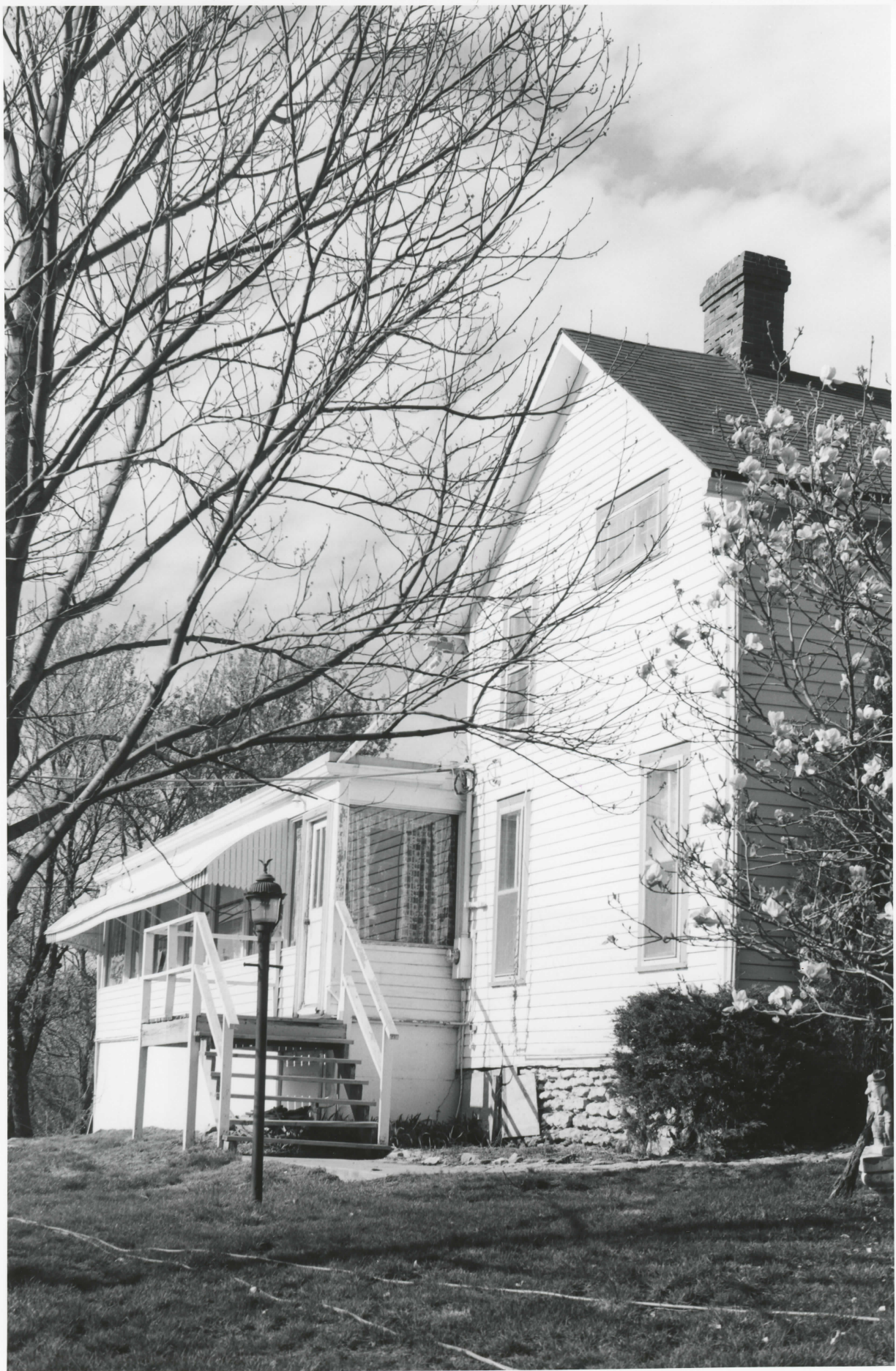
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South (main) facade. View looking
north.

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Compton, Dr. James, Residence
Kansas City, Missouri #718
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Clay County April, 1978

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West facade; view looking
northeast *RoE*

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Compton, Dr. James, Residence *(House)*
Kansas City, Missouri #8 *78*
photographer: Sherry Piland
April, 1978

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Guest house; view looking south-
east. View shows north and
west facades.

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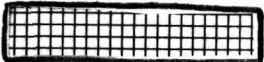
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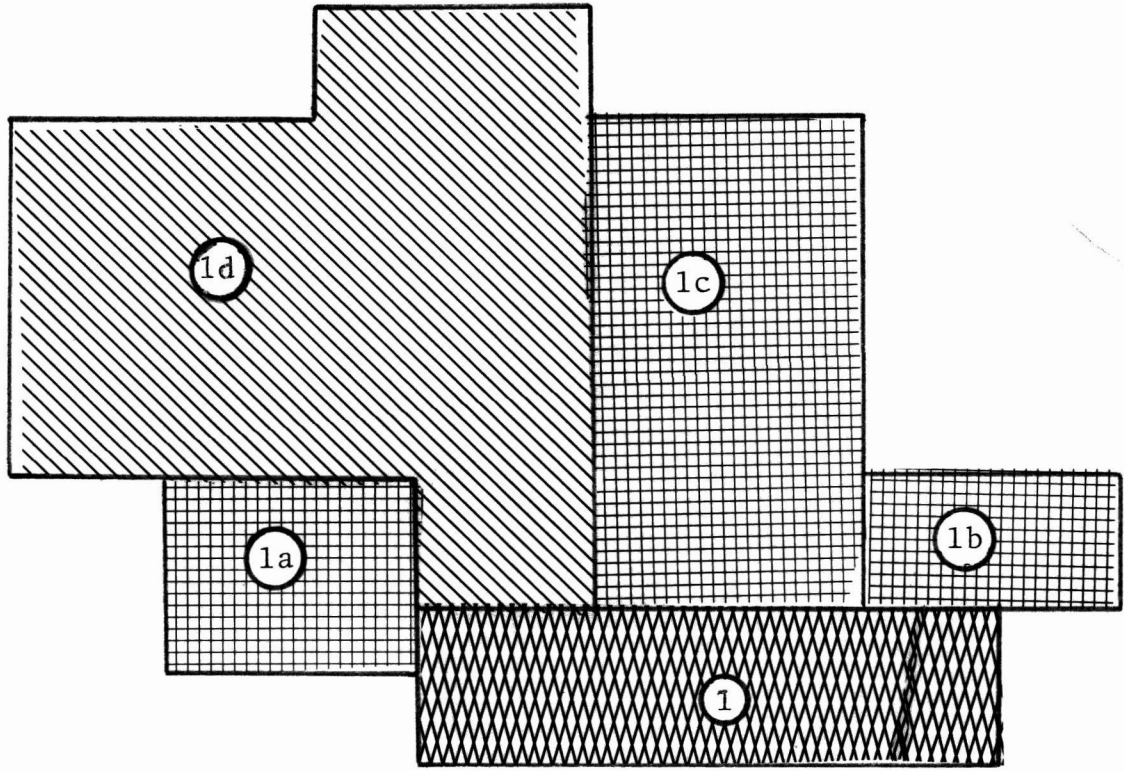
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the Comptom family



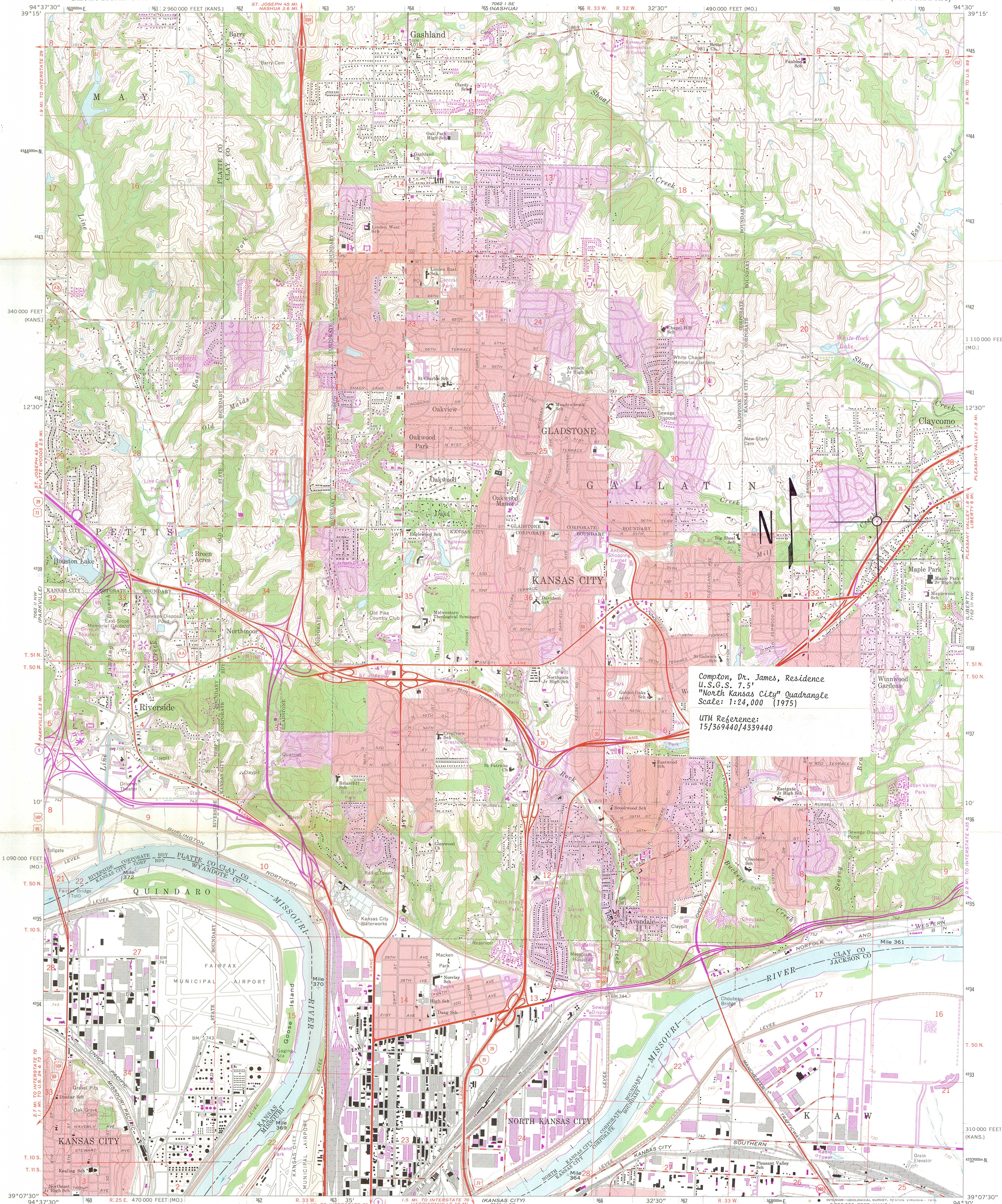
Recent additions



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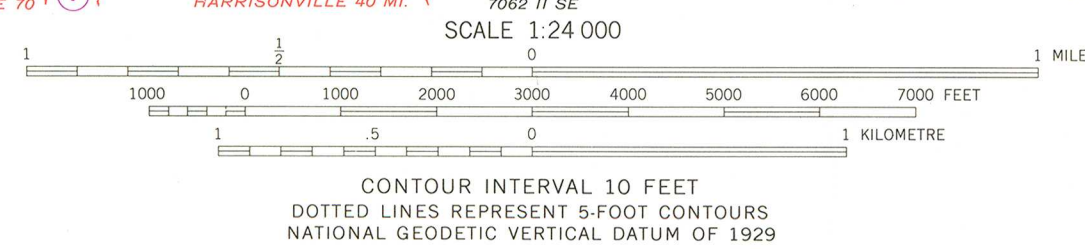
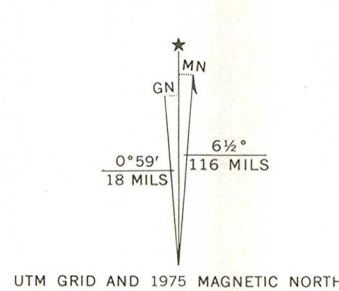
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Compton, Dr. James, Residence
U.S.G.S. 7.5'
"North Kansas City" Quadrangle
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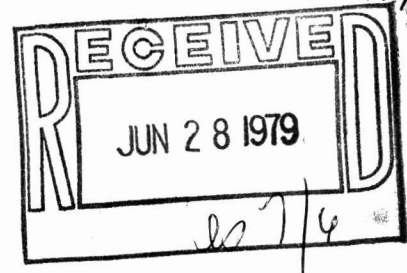


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Dr. William J. Murtagh
Keeper of the National Register
Heritage Conservation & Recreation Service
Department of the Interior, Pension Bldg.
440 G Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20243

MD

Dear Dr. Murtagh:

I will be most pleased and honored should my home be listed on the National Register of Historic Places, so you certainly have my permission. My house is well-known as a social center from the time Dr. James and Mary Compton bought the farm in the 1840s with the log house already there. The original patent on the farm was 1829, so we suppose the log house was the home of the original patentee. This structure is the foyer of the home I now have made into a prestige restaurant. As the Comptons had each of their nine children, they added a room to accomodate them, so most of them are at different levels.

In 1954, Miss Emma Compton, the last of the children and then over 90 years of age, moved out to live with a niece, she carried her suitcase of clothing and personal articles, leaving the family furnishings to us the new owners. So the house is as the family used it except for some modernization necessary as electricity, running water and plumbing. This historic house was a dream come true to me and I have continued to keep it as a social center, known as Sandy's Oak Ridge Manor.

The Clay County Landmark Commission, part of the Clay County Historical Society, chose our house as one of the first of 79 to mark as an historical site with a large bronze plaque in 1976.

If any additional information is needed, I will be happy to furnish it for you.

Sincerely,

Re: Compton, Dr. James, House
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Louise Sandstrom

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Joplin Carnegie Library	Joplin Jasper County

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