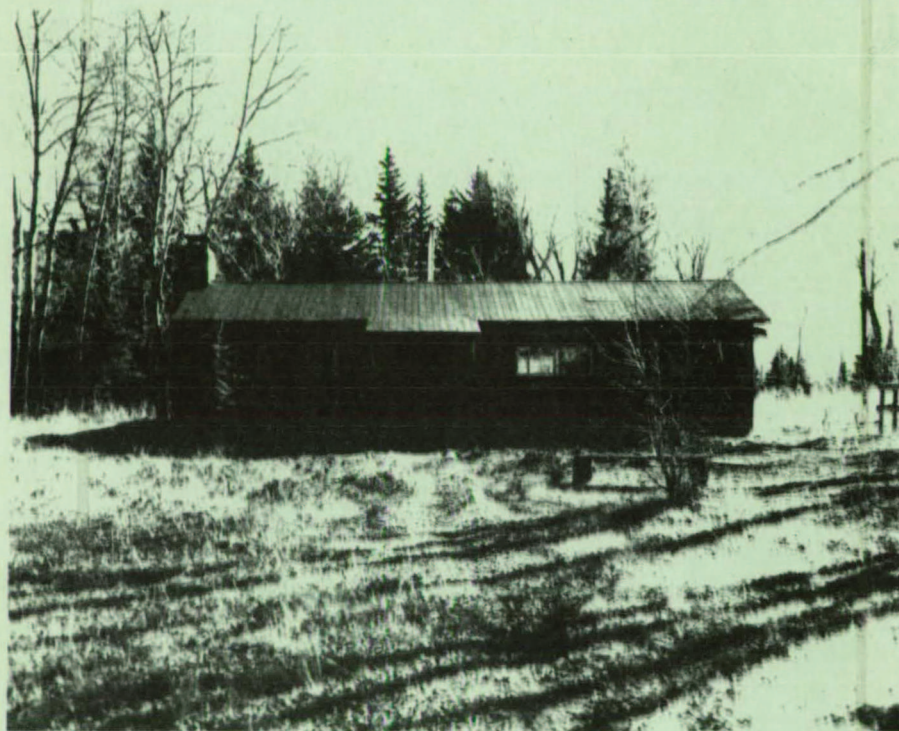


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Superintendent, Grand Teton National Park

Date _____

/S/ Ernest Allen Connally

Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic
Preservation

Date MAR 16 1970

APPROVED

Regional Director, Midwest Region

Date _____

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I. ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

Name and Number of Structure:

The Maud Noble Cabin is numbered 109 and the Outbuilding is numbered 111 on the Grand Teton Register. Both are classified as CC Structures.

Realistic Estimate of the Cost of Proposed Construction Activity:

This estimate of December 1969 covers the construction work on the Maud Noble Cabin and on the adjacent Outbuilding. A revised PCP follows:

Estimate for Work on Maud Noble Cabin Building 109 January 1, 1970:

Prices include overhead costs.

Excavation for complete new footings 3 feet deep (40 yds. ³) and providing underfloor crawl space (80 yds. ³) 120 yds. ³ @\$15	\$1800
Concrete footings (13 yds. ³) and 2 inch ground slab (5 yds. ³) in place 18 yds. ³ @\$50	900
Chimney Work LS	100
Demolition of insignificant structures Replacement of rotted logs and joists Center line floor griders to stiffen floor	1000
Repair of sash and shutters orch work and exterior siding	1200
New shingle roof 10 sqs. @\$100	1000
	<u>\$6000</u>

Estimate for Work on Outbuilding 111:

Remove addition, repair woodwork, repair plaster	\$300
New roll roofing 5 x 30	220
	<u>\$520</u>

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PROJECT CONSTRUCTION PROPOSAL

1. STATEMENT OF MANAGEMENT'S REQUIREMENTS, PROPOSED WORK, AND ITS RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER FACETS OF THE PARK PROGRAM. (Provide detail data for "Management Information" on Form 10-411a, Supplemental Sheet and attach.)

Moving and restoration of the Maud Noble Cabin and Outbuilding and furnishing of both buildings. It is planned to provide interpretation of the historical meeting held at the Menor's Ferry Complex which proposed the establishment of Grand Teton National Park.

This will involve restoration of the building to its appearance and condition during the period circa 1918 but to the site now occupied by the transportation exhibit.

2. ADVANCE REQUIREMENTS DATA

LAND STATUS Government owned	MASTER PLAN NO. To be prepared	APPROVAL DATE
PCP NUMBERS OF PREVIOUSLY COMPLETE PORTIONS	INTERRELATED & DEPENDENT PROJECT PCP NUMBERS	
INTERPRETIVE PROSPECTUS APPROVAL DATA Being prepared		DATE
WATER RIGHT NEEDS & STATUS N/A		
RESEARCH NEEDS & STATUS See RSP-GET-H-2a Historic Structures Report, Part I, Approved by WASO 7-11-67		
OTHER		

3. RECOMMENDED BY SUPERINTENDENT (Signature & Date)		4. APPROVED BY REGIONAL DIRECTOR (Signature & Date)	
5. LOCATION WITHIN AREA OR TERMINI Moose Headquarters Area		6. BLDG. OR RT.# AND SEC. Maud Noble Cabin Bldg. #109 and Outbuilding #111	
7. REGION Midwest	8. PARK Grand Teton National Park	10. PCP INDEX NO. M-74-2	
9. PROJECT Move and Rehabilitate Maud Noble Cabin and Outbuilding.			
		Goshen (County) Wyoming (State)	

CLASS ☐ (A) - Estimate based on working Drawings
 CLASS ☒ (B) - Estimate based on preliminary plans
 CLASS ☐ (C) - Estimate based on similar facilities in other parks

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ESTIMATE

ITEM	QUANTITY	COST
Rehabilitation of the Maud Noble Cabin	LS	\$6,000
Rehabilitation, of the Outbuilding	LS	520
Moving both buildings to new site	LS	3,000
Interpretive sub-total from Interpretive Development Plan Menor's Ferry Historical Area Nan V. Carson October 1964 plus 20% increase in costs to 1969 \$5000 + \$1000 = \$6000		
RESEARCH ESTIMATE APPROVED:		
(Asst. Director, Resource Studies)	(Date)	
CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATE APPROVED:		
(Design Office Chief)	(Date)	
INTERPRETIVE ESTIMATE APPROVED:		
(Asst. Regional Director, Operations)	(Date)	
ESTIMATE TOTALS		9,520
RESEARCH.....		
Construction.....		9,520
Plans, Surveys, and Supervision.....		1,910
Contingencies		1,270
CONSTRUCTION SUB TOTAL		12,700
INTERPRETIVE SUB TOTAL (100%)		6,000
GRAND TOTAL		18,700

Moving the Maud Noble Cabin and the Outbuilding
to the site vacated by the existing Vehicle Shed.
Including chimney rebuilding and the savings on
easier foundation work.

\$3000

II. HISTORICAL DATA

A bronze plaque installed in front of the Maud Noble Cabin¹
gives the historical association of the site.

The Maud Noble Cabin

"This Cabin erected on its present site in 1917 by Miss Maud Noble has been preserved and renovated to commemorate a meeting held here on the evening of July 26, 1923 at which Mr. Struthers Burt, Dr. Horace Carncross, Mr. John L. Eynon, Mr. J. R. Jones and Mr. Richard Winger all residents of Jackson Hole presented to Mr. Horace M. Albright then Superintendent of Yellowstone National Park, a plan for setting aside a portion of Jackson Hole as a National Recreation Area for the use and enjoyment of the people of the United States. The purpose of that plan has been accomplished by the establishment and enlargement of the Grand Teton National Park.

The broad vision and patriotic foresight of those who met here that July evening in 1923 will be increasingly appreciated by our country with the passing years.

Jackson Hole Preserve, Incorporated"

¹ *An Interpretive Prospectus for Post-Fur Trade History Grand Teton National Park by Russell A. Apple, Historian, December 1960*

Mr. Apple's write up on the Maud Noble Cabin is copied verbatim as no further history research has been made.

Maud Noble's residence is designed as a cabin and not as a homestead because she never participated in that aspect of pioneering we call homesteading in this chapter. Yet this chapter seems to be the best place to introduce Maud Noble. Her cabin figured prominently in events leading to the establishment of the enlarged Grand Teton National Park. It is introduced here, under pioneering, to eliminate any question about the status of her cabin.

John Pickens Dornan, who knew Miss Noble long before she came to Jackson Hole, is a member of a pioneer family who homesteaded next to Holiday Menor, on the west side of the Snake River. He is still in residence on the land. He contributes the following biographical information about Maud Noble.

Miss Noble was born ca. 1865-1870, probably in Philadelphia. Jack Dornan's grandfather, Howard Ware Middleton, bought Maud Noble's father's house at 130 E. Walnut Lane, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Mr. Dornan first met Miss Noble in that house about 1912. The Noble and Dornan families were close friends in Philadelphia, and lived next door to each other. One of Miss Noble's brothers was William Woodrich Noble (Jr.?), a famous Philadelphia cricket player.

Miss Noble came to Jackson Hole about 1915 as guest of Mrs. George Woodward at the Bar BC dude ranch. Miss Noble stayed, and went into partnership with Frank Bessette on his homestead on Cottonwood Creek. Harry Clissold built a cabin for Miss Noble on the east side of Cottonwood Creek in 1916.

In 1918, when Miss Noble bought Menor's Ferry, the cabin was moved, piece by piece and reassembled, to its present location on the Bill Menor homestead.

In the 1963 amendment to the above document called "Reflecting Agreements reached between Superintendent and Midwest Regional Office Staff" and dated February 1963 had the following recommendation in paragraph 3.

"It is recommended that this structure (The Maud Noble Cabin) be relocated a short distance to a site which would afford a more compact relationship to the Menor's Ferry group: that the structure be altered sufficiently for exhibit purposes."

In October 1964 Mrs. Nan V. Carson Historic Restoration Specialist, Midwest Regional Office prepared an Interpretive Development Plan titled "Menor's Ferry Historical Area Grand Teton National Park." No new historical information or old pictures were included in her report.

III. ARCHITECTURAL DATA

A. Record Drawings of Existing Conditions:

See Appendix for HABS drawings Maud Noble Cabin WYO 23, seven sheets, made in June and September 1965.

B. Photographs of Existing Conditions:

See Plates.

C. Detailed Description of Fabric, Materials, Construction and Existing Conditions, Including any Investigations Made Within the Walls:

Exterior

The present asphalt shingle roof needs replacing, the concrete fireplace and chimney is losing its cobble stones, the log walls covered with earth are decayed. Some of the window sash have been damaged by vandals.

Interior

Interior walls, floors and ceilings are in fair shape. The underfloor area was never properly graded or made wholly accessible. Weak joists were given random post supports. Some of the logs on the ground have rotted from being earth covered and damp.

D. Architectural Description of Proposed Construction Activity:

The most important conservation technique for the building is to provide masonry (concrete) foundations and an accessible dry underfloor area. An additional line of joists supports under the middle of the joist spans will stiffen the floor in an orderly manner. It would cost less to reconstruct the footings at another site. In any case the requirements are: adequate footing (3 feet

deep to prevent frost heave) under all exterior walls, and ventilation and access space of 18 inches provided under all areas. The ground under the house should be covered with 2 inches of trowelled concrete as rodent protection and the areas vented to FHA standards. In moving there would be the costs of moving the chimney and the superstructure to another site near by. If a new site is chosen it is recommended that the present north elevation be shifted to the northeast at the new site to allow more interesting photography on the principal side.

Exterior

Rotted logs at the base should be replaced and or repaired with the foundation work. Non significant additions shown on the drawings should be removed. Window, doors, trim, and porches would be carefully repaired and repainted.

Complete evidence that the roof was wood shingled in 1923 has not been verified; but we know a new roof should be applied in either wood or asphalt shingles when this information is gathered.

Interior

The modern addition shown on the HABS drawings including the kitchen fixtures, the kitchen addition, the modern division of the living room, the log bent and the modern closet should be removed and the connections marks obliterated. The aluminum foil insulation in the west bedroom will be removed to discover evidence

of the original treatment. Subsequent insulation and treatment of the ceiling will depend upon the eventual furnishing and use determined from the interpretive decisions. It is hoped that further history research will provide old pictures of the interior as well as the exterior.

The Outbuilding No. 111 will take the same careful treatment as the house, including good dry concrete foundations with an 18# air space, 2" concrete slab and vents below the floor. The Outbuilding should follow the house to a new site and maintain its relative position with the house.

IV. ARCHEOLOGICAL DATA

Not applicable.

V. LANDSCAPE DATA

Mrs. Nan Carson (Rickey) gave arguments for and against moving the Maud Noble Cabin as described in Mr. Apple's report. Appendix I of Carson report suggests the demolition of the existing vehicle shed along with the suggestion that the site is "the only readily appropriate alternative location for this building." Apple had also suggested the obliteration of the Exhibit Shed along with thinning the woods to expose the Maud Noble Cabin to the East.

The final landscape plan will be developed from the interpretive decisions made on the whole Menor Complex.

VI. FURNISHINGS AND EXHIBIT DATA

Further development of the Furnishing Plan will evolve from the Interpretive decisions. See Mrs. Carson's report referred to above.

APPENDIX I

FROM THE PRELIMINARY DEVELOPMENT PLAN

MENOR'S FERRY HISTORICAL AREA
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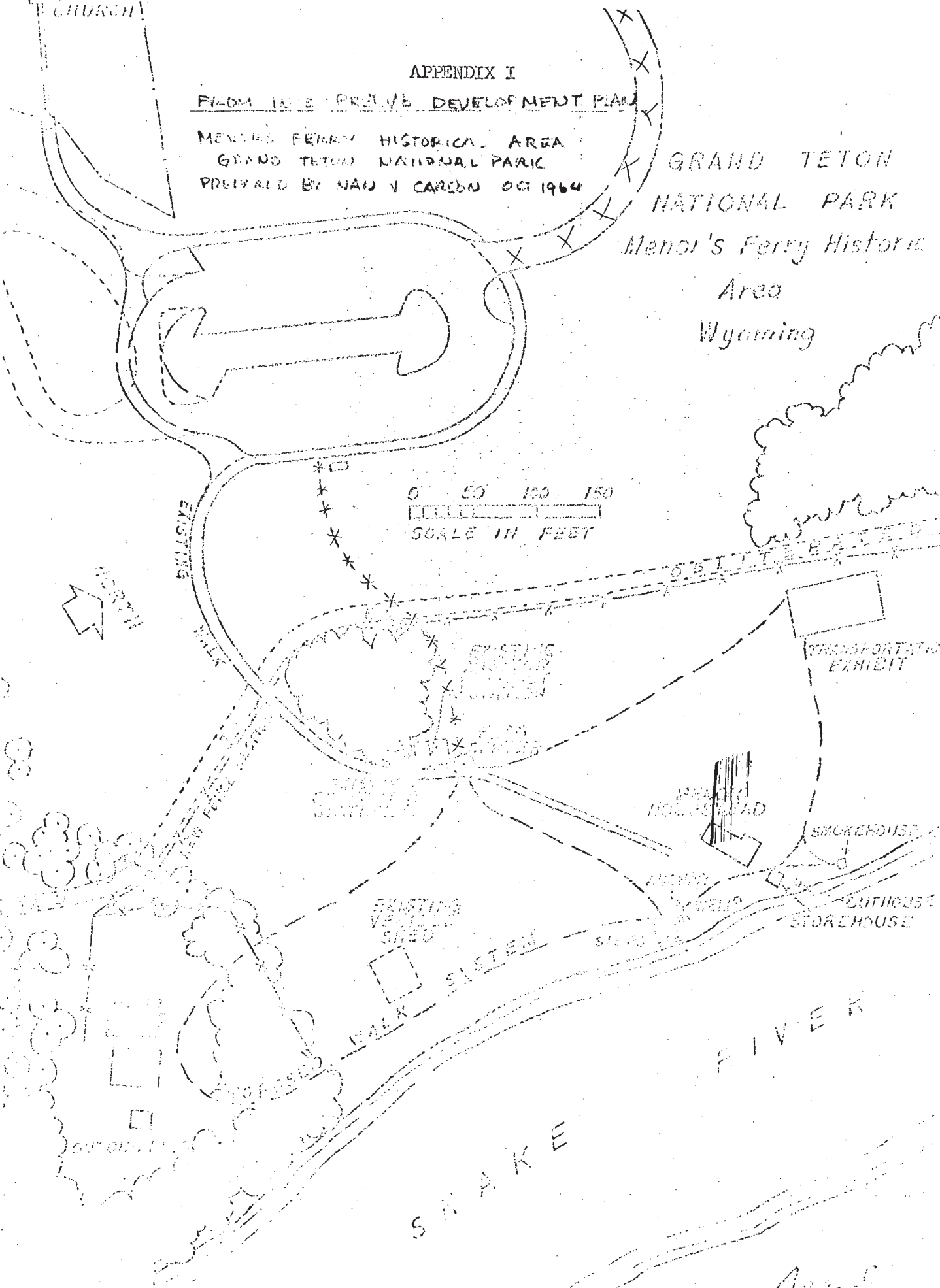


PLATE NO. 1

Maud Noble Cabin. Northwest elevation.



PLATE NO. 2

Maud Noble Cabin. West wing - Southeast
side.



PLATE NO. 3

Maud Noble Cabin. Chimney detail -
Northeast end.



PLATE NO. 4

Maud Noble Cabin. Fireplace wall
(Northeast).

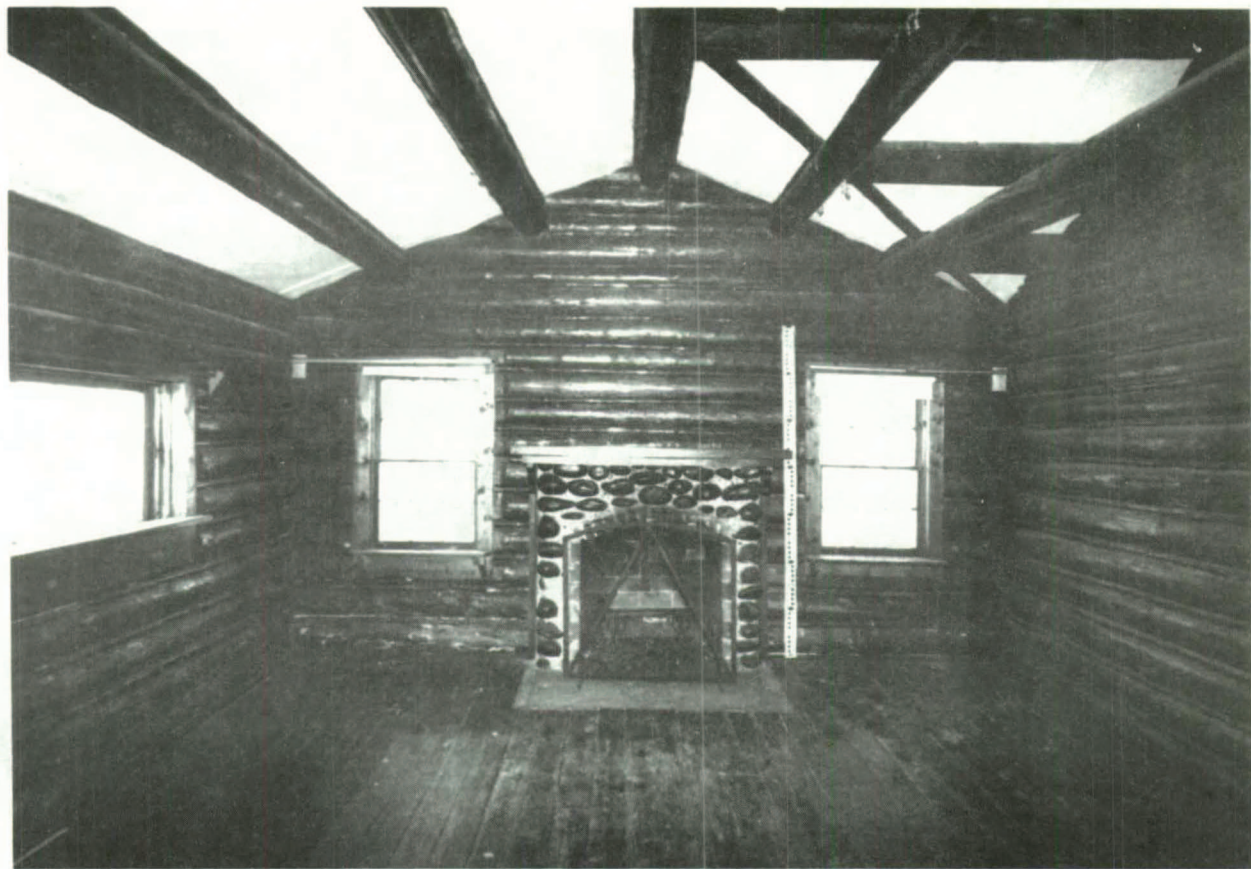


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Maud Noble Cabin. Northwest Living Room
wall and Main Entrance.

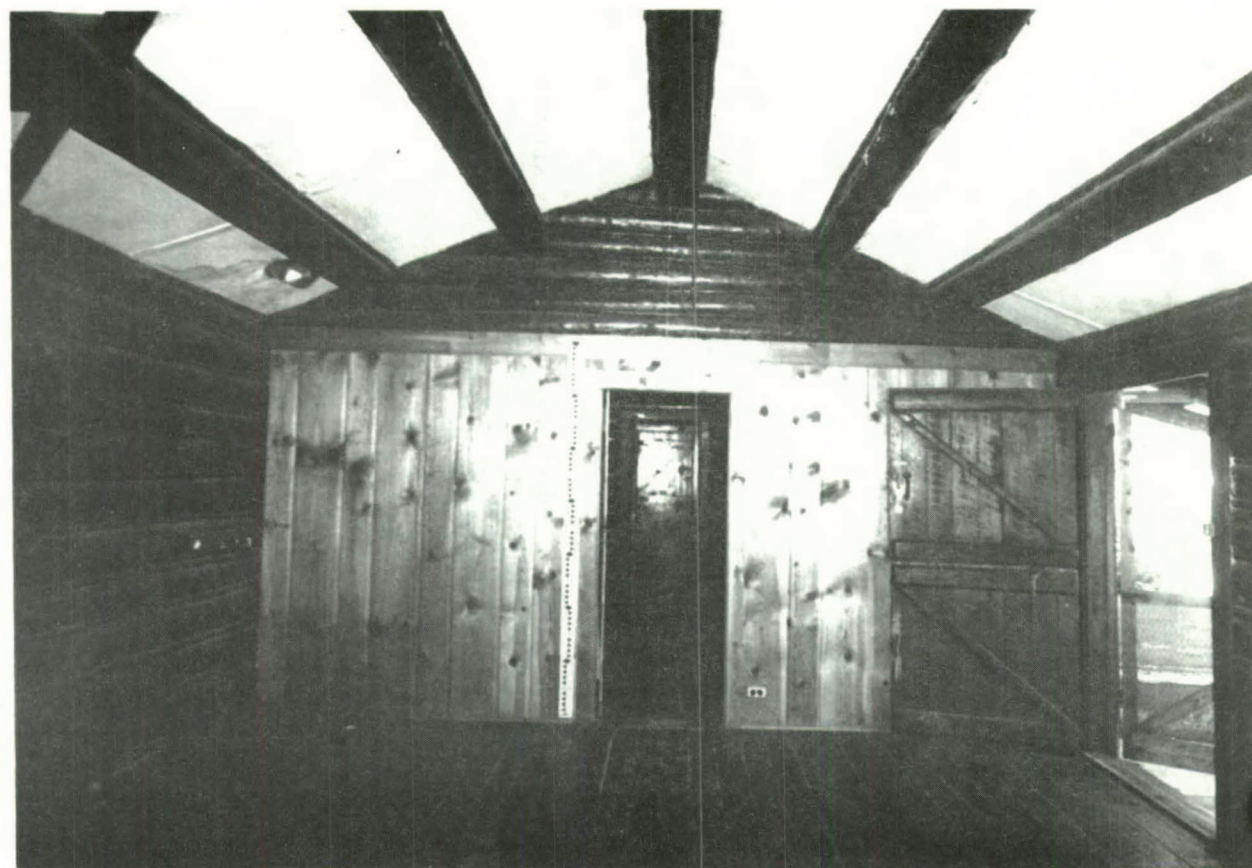


PLATE NO. 6

Maud Noble Cabin. Wall to Kitchen
(Southeast).



PLATE NO. 7

Maud Noble Cabin. Middle Room.
Southeast wall.

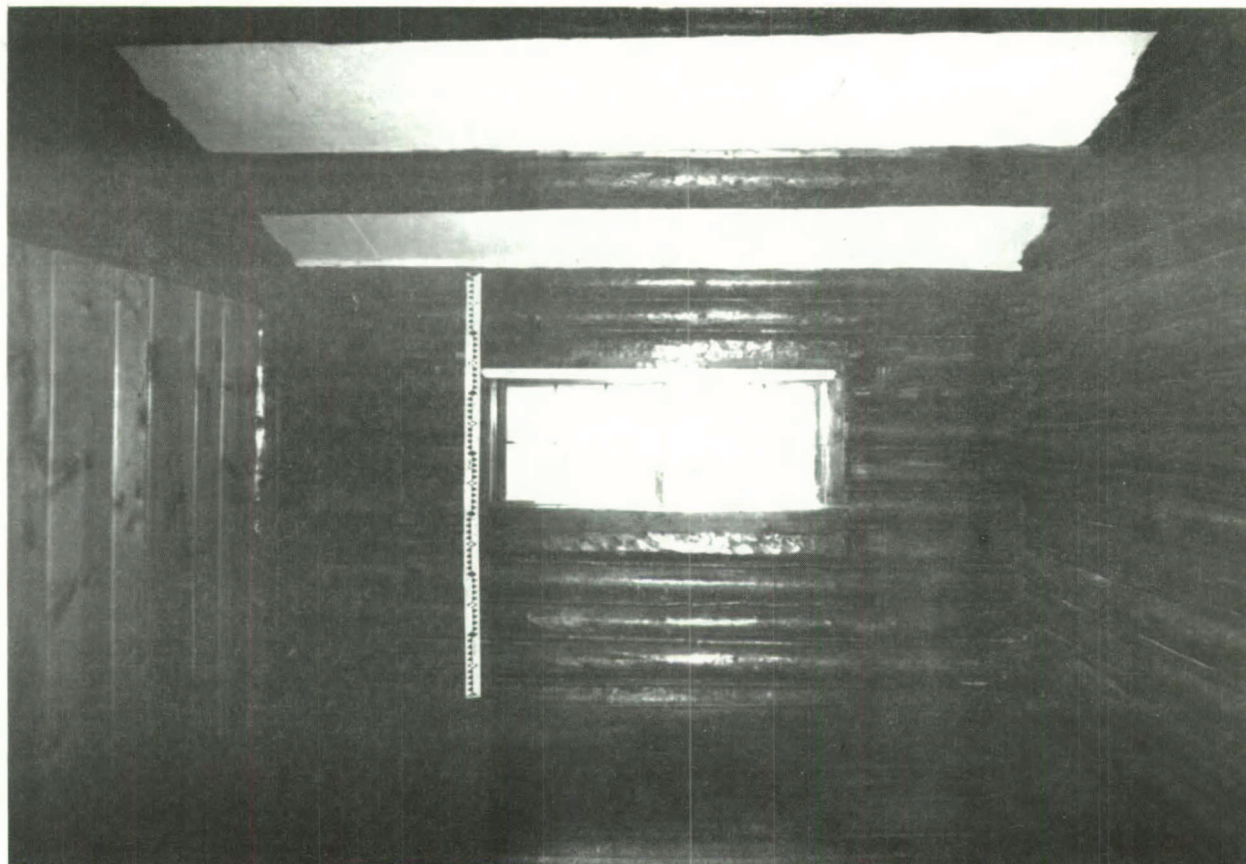


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Maud Noble Cabin. Kitchen.
Southeast wall.

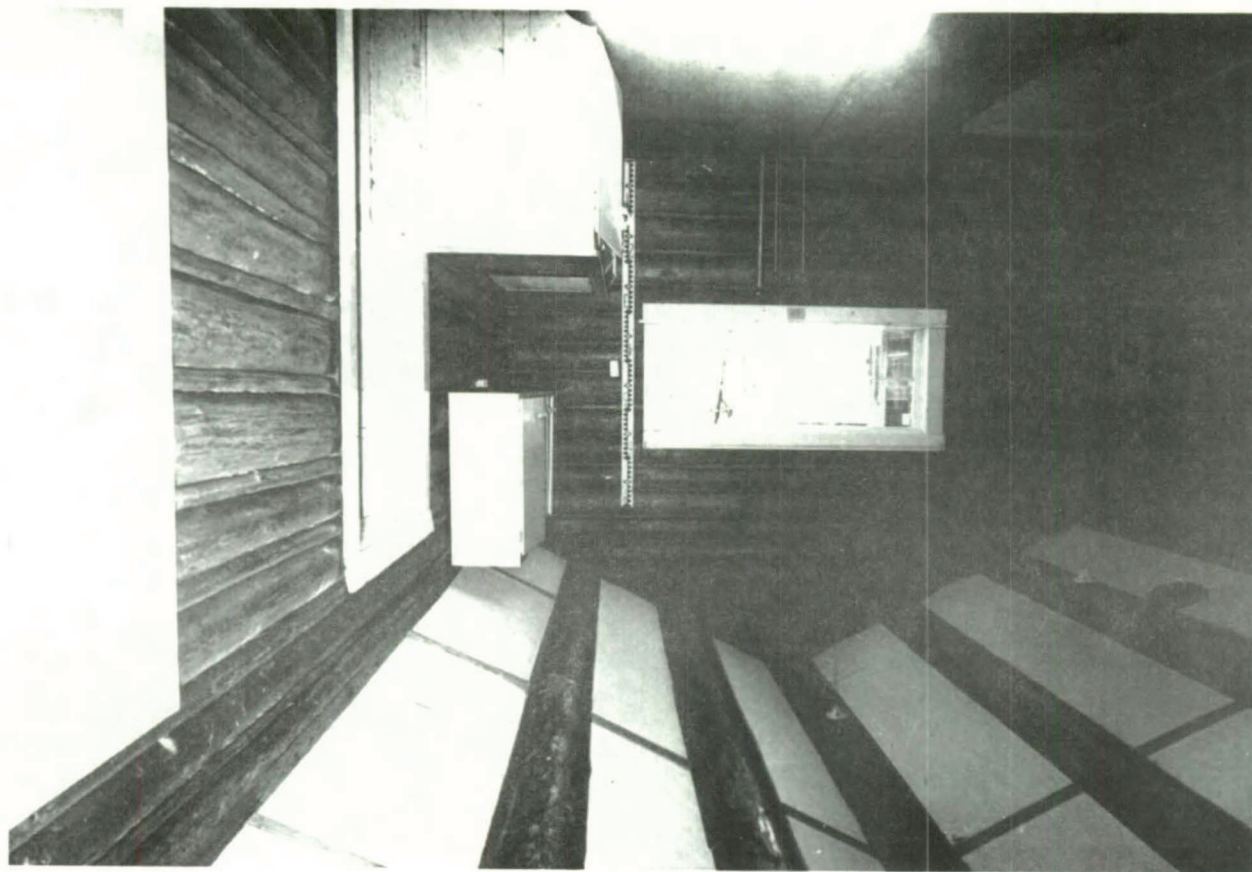


PLATE NO. 9

Maud Noble Cabin. Kitchen.
Southeast wall.



PLATE NO. 10

Maud Noble Cabin. Southeast Wall -
Southwest End Room.



PLATE NO. 11

Maud Noble Cabin. Floor framing.



PLATE NO. 12

Maud Noble Cabin. Floor framing.



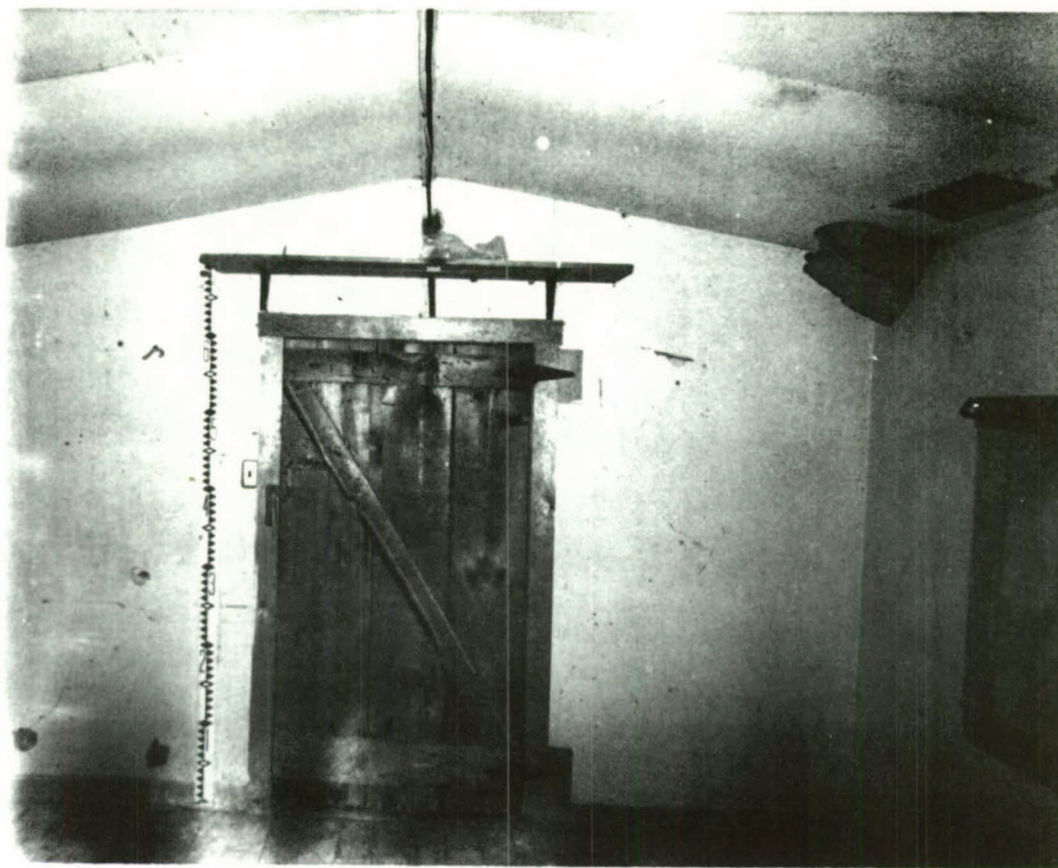
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Maud Noble Outbuilding. Northwest
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PLATE NO. 14

Maud Noble Outbuilding interior.
Northwest wall.



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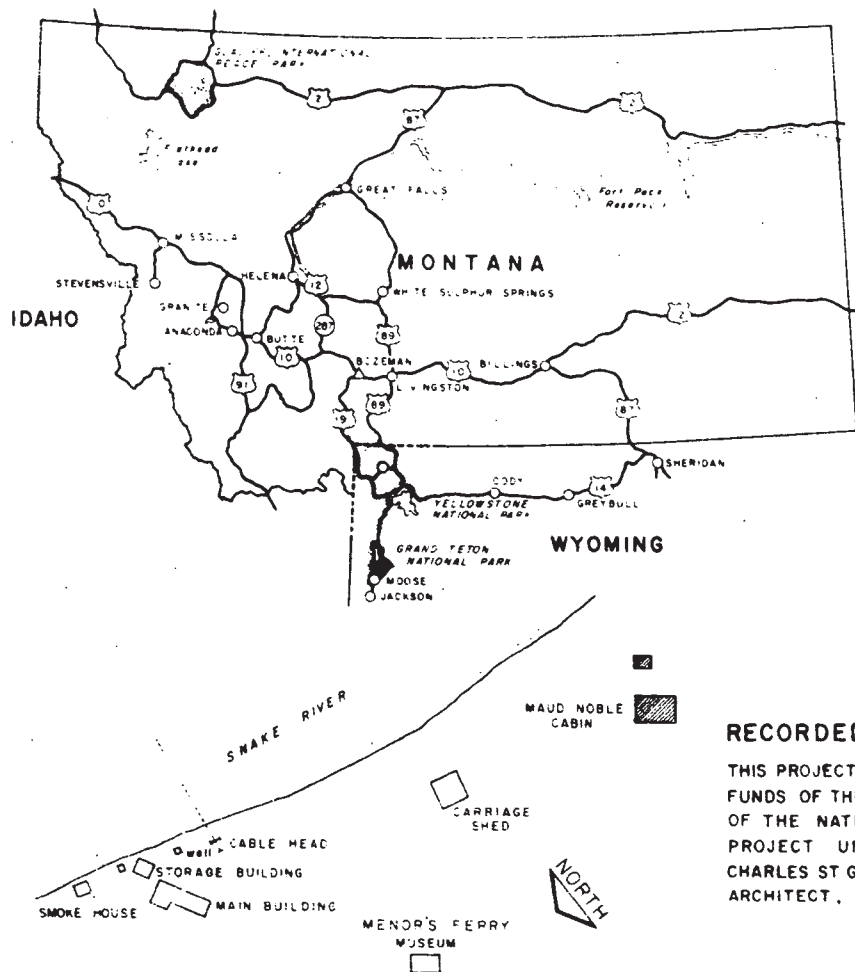
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MAUD NOBLE, A MILDEN LADY FROM PHILADELPHIA, PA., CAME TO JACKSON HOLE AS A GUEST AT A DUDE RANCH. SHE REMAINED IN THIS AREA AND HAD A CABIN BUILT FOR HER BY HARRY GLISSWOLD ON THE EAST SIDE OF COTTONWOOD CREEK IN 1916.

IN 1918 MISS NOBLE PURCHASED MENOR'S FERRY OPERATION AND BUILDINGS AND HAD HER CABIN MOVED, PIECE BY PIECE AND REASSEMBLED, TO ITS PRESENT LOCATION ON THE BILL MENOR HOMESTEAD ADJACENT TO THE SNAKE RIVER.

THE CABIN ORIGINALLY HAD THREE ROOMS, A KITCHEN, LIVING ROOM, AND BEDROOM. AFTER BEING MOVED THESE ROOMS WERE USED AS TWO BEDROOMS AND A LIVING ROOM. COOKING WAS DONE IN THE BILL MENOR CABIN. MISS NOBLE LIVED HERE UNTIL 1927 OR 1928.

MISS NOBLE LENT THE BUILDING FOR AN IMPORTANT MEETING THAT LED TO THE CREATION OF THE GRAND TETON NATIONAL PARK. THIS HISTORIC MEETING TOOK PLACE ON THE EVENING OF JULY 26, 1923.

VARIOUS OCCUPANTS HAVE RENOVATED AND MODERNIZED THE STRUCTURE.

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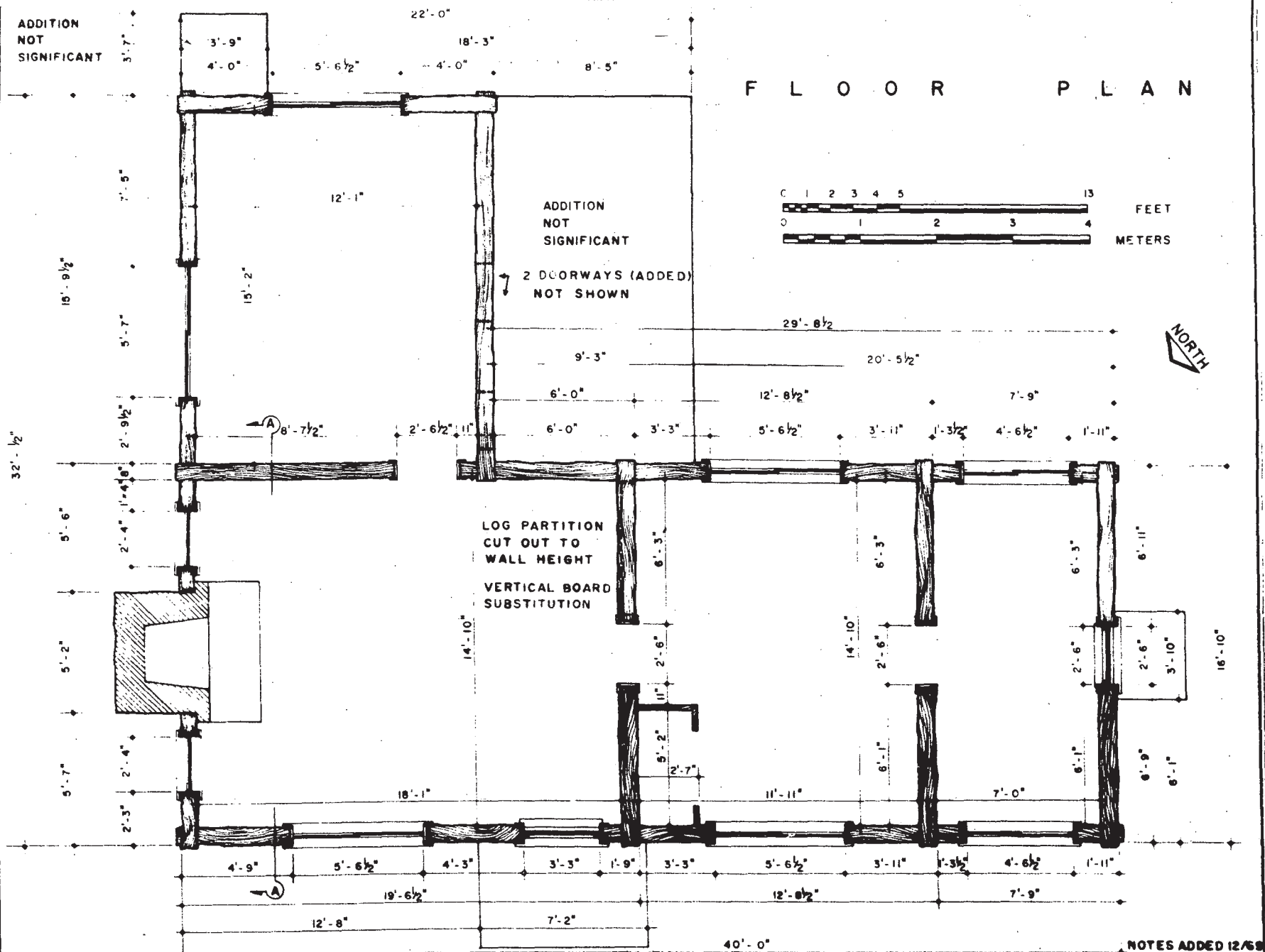
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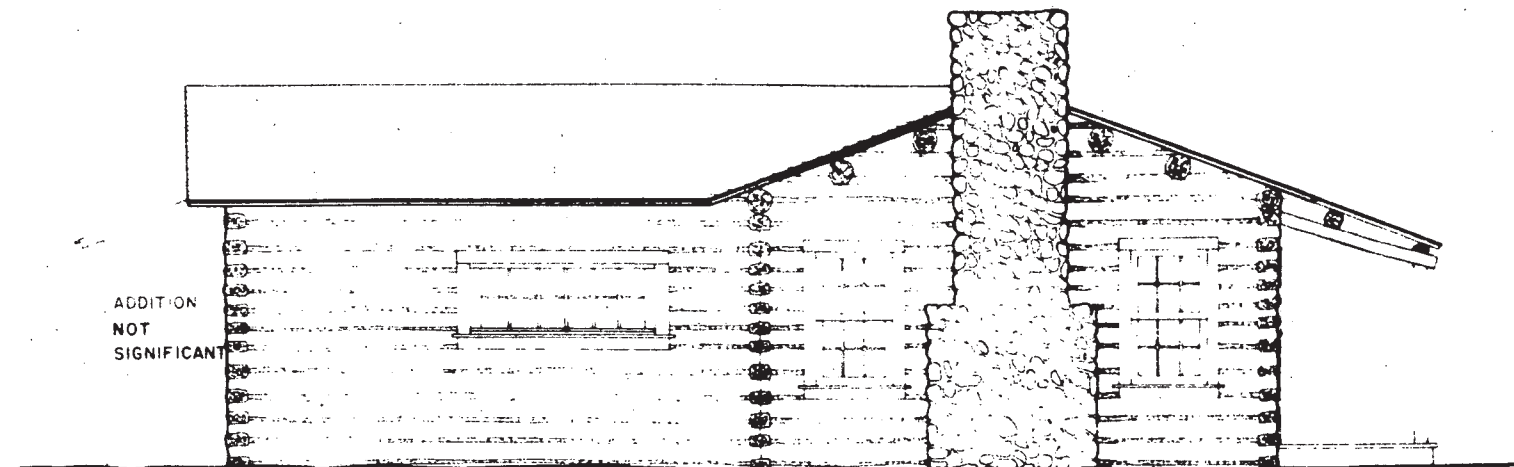
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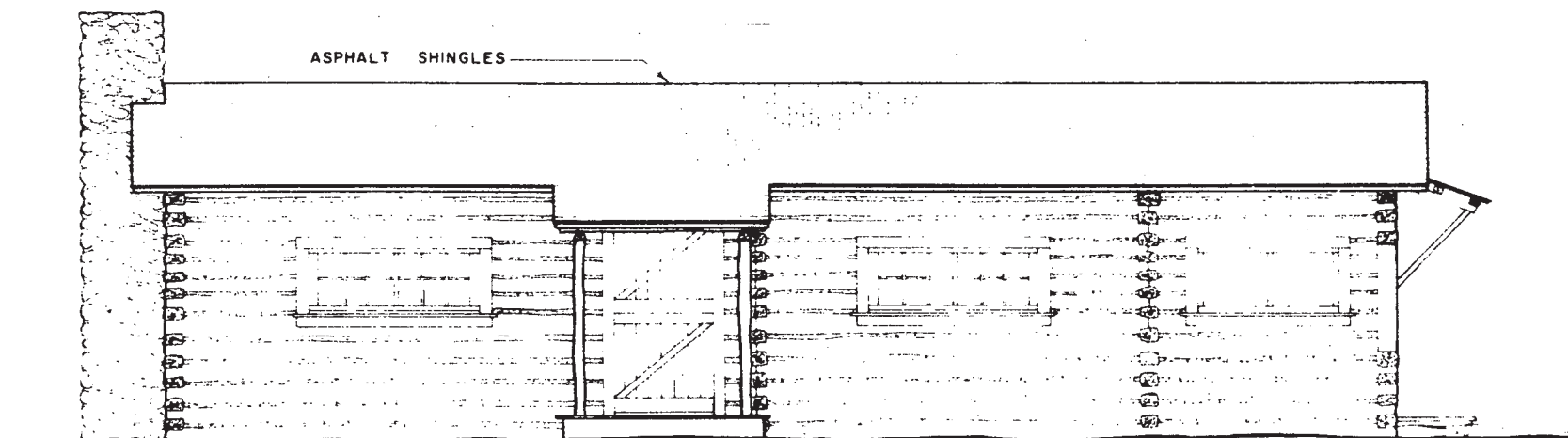
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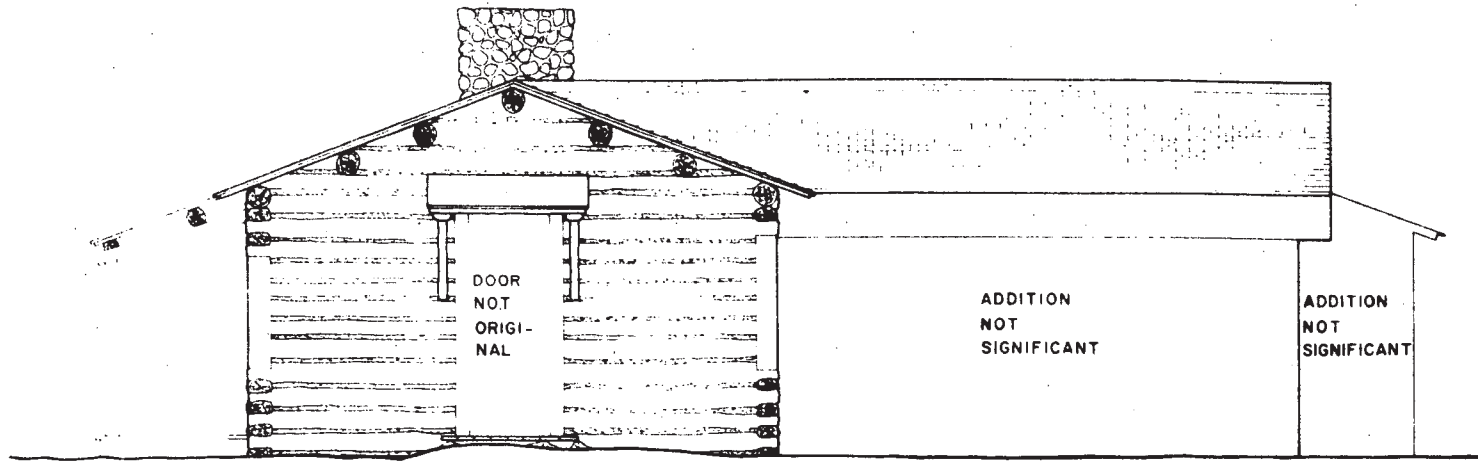
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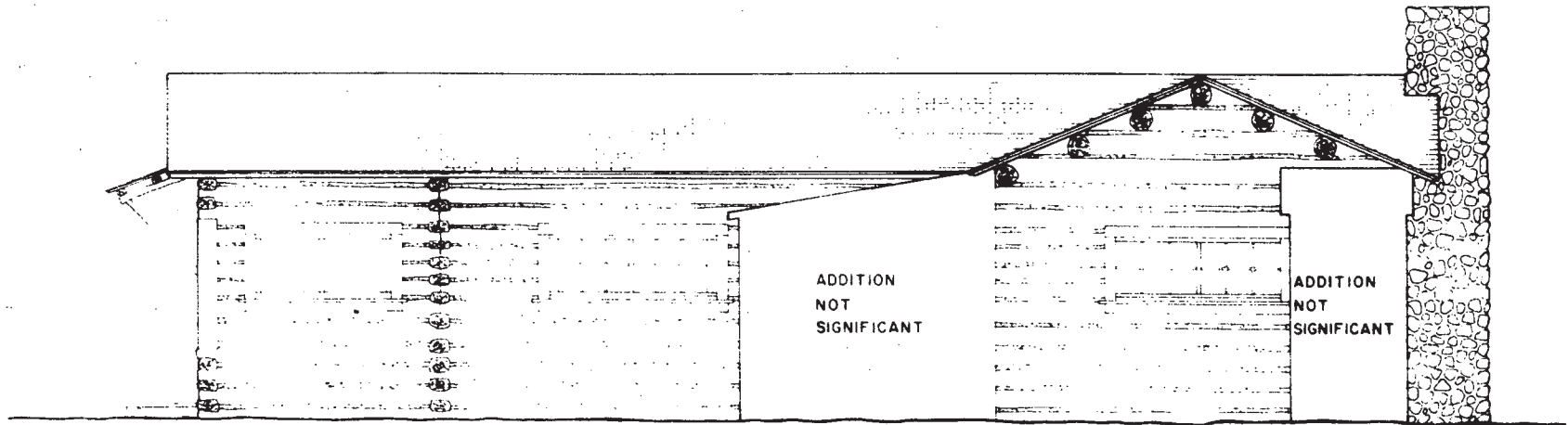
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EAST ELEVATION



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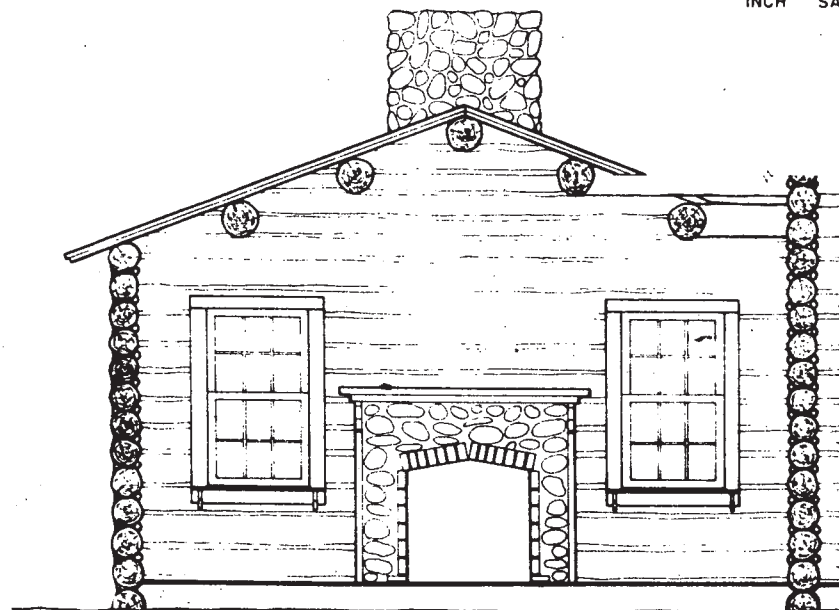
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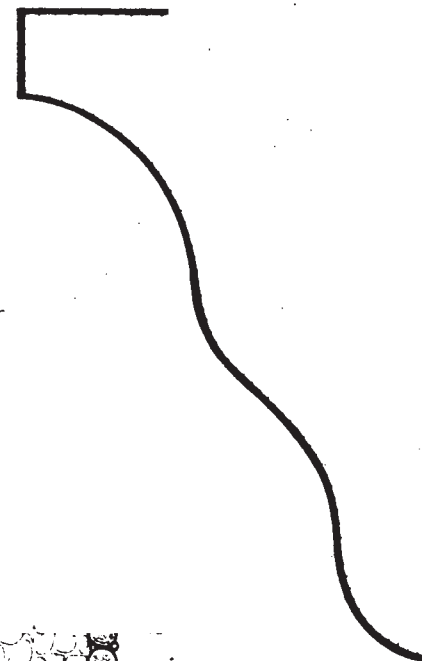
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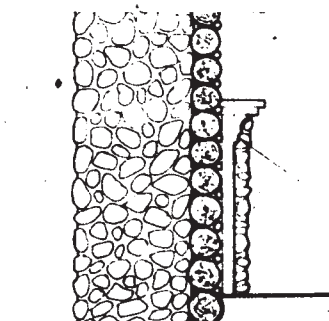
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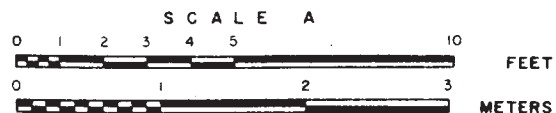
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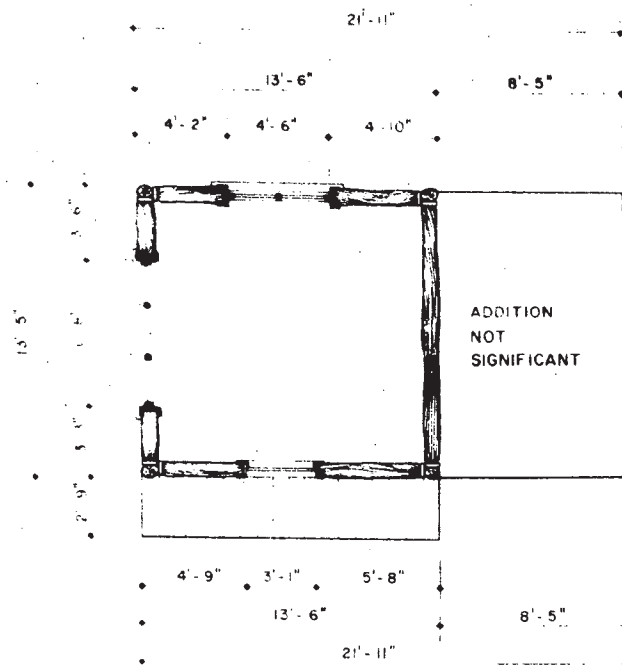
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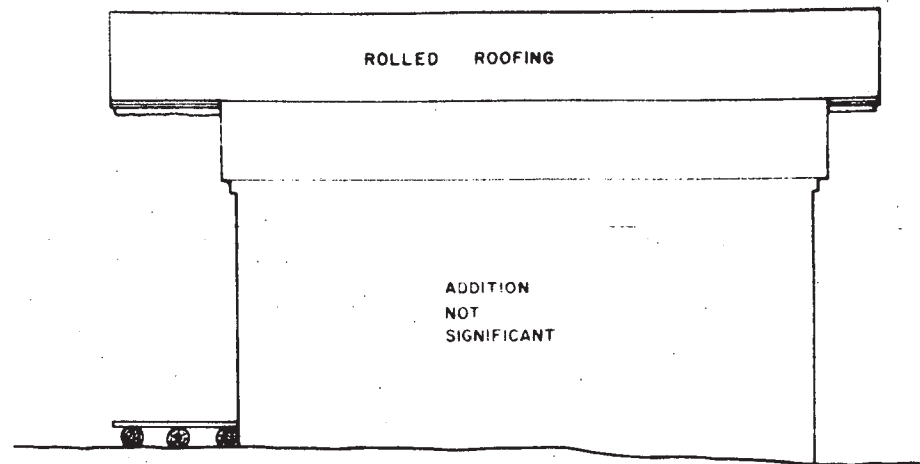
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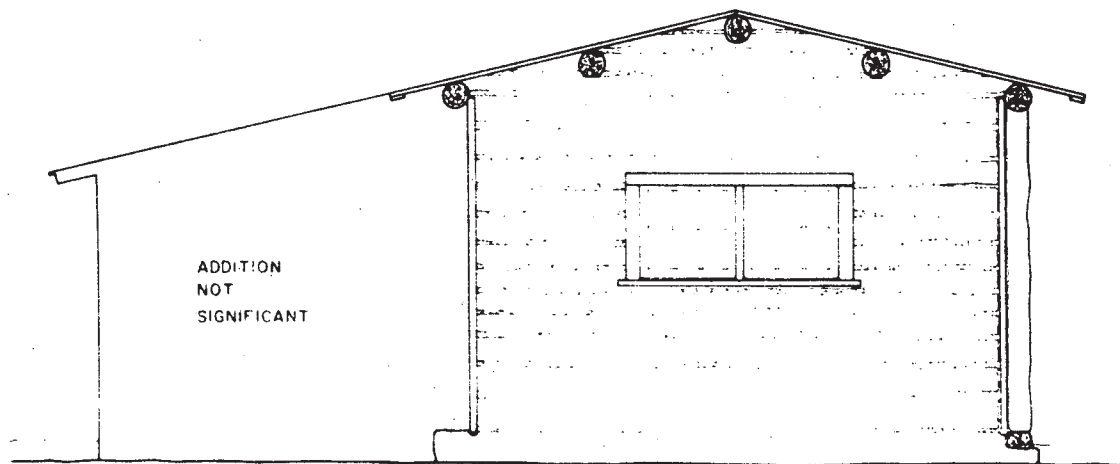
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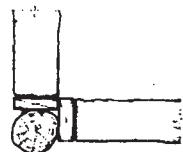
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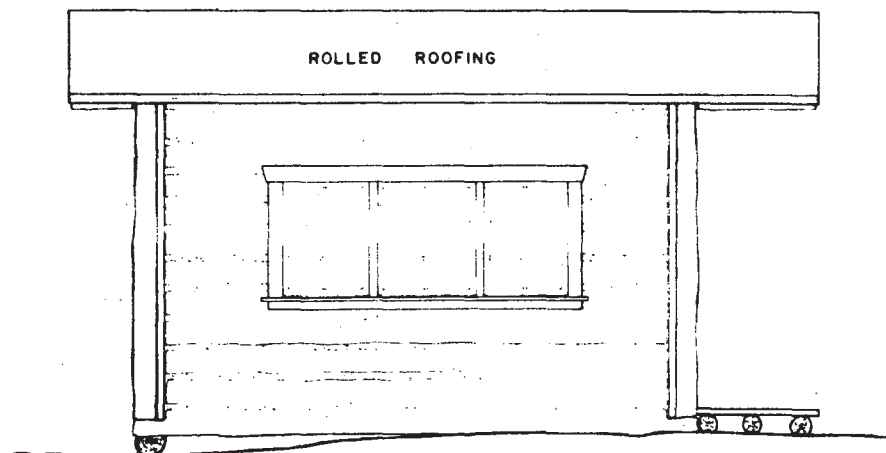
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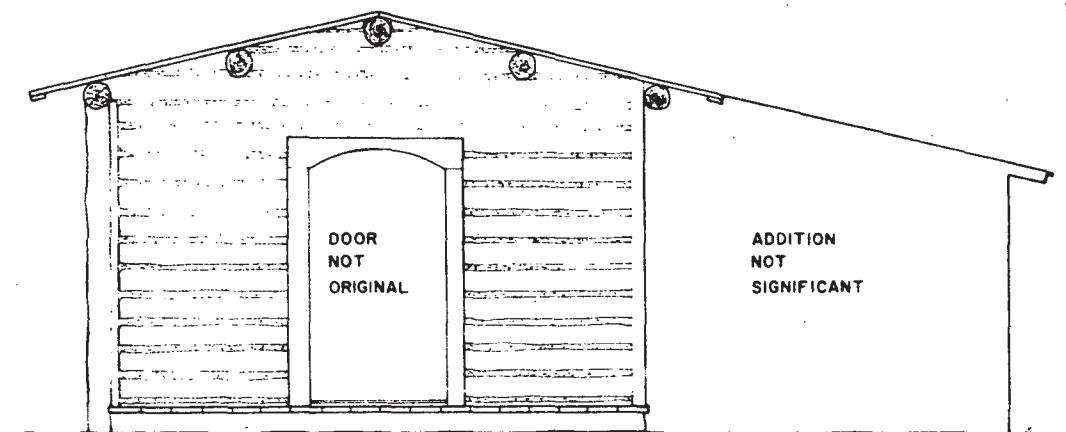
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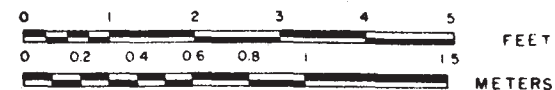


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