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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
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# NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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

## 1 NAME

HISTORIC  
\* \* \* Crocheron-McDowall House *HABS*  
AND/OR COMMON

## 2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER: 1502 Wilson Street  
CITY, TOWN: Bastrop VICINITY OF: \_\_\_\_\_  
STATE: Texas COUNTY: Bastrop CODE: 048  
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: 10  
NOT FOR PUBLICATION

## 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"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

## 4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME: Mr. and Mrs. James P. Haber  
STREET & NUMBER: 1502 Wilson Street  
CITY, TOWN: Bastrop VICINITY OF: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: Texas

## 5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Bastrop County Courthouse  
STREET & NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY, TOWN: Bastrop STATE: Texas

## 6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE: Historic American Buildings Survey  
DATE: 1936  
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Library of Congress  
CITY, TOWN: Washington STATE: D.C.  
 FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

# 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		

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

CROCHERON-McDOWALL

Built in 1857 for the rich Bastrop merchant, Henry Crocheron, the Crocheron-McDowall house remains as an outstanding example of Greek Revival architecture in Texas. Although the architect is unknown, the house is constructed almost entirely of cedar and displays many unusual characteristics for a mid-1800's home.

The original structure consisted of the two-story main building and a one-story ell section at the rear. At one time a finely detailed cornice terminated the flat roof main structure, but, because of deterioration, it has been altered. The original dentil molding, on the other hand, is in good condition and surrounds the entire structure. The gable roof ell wing on the west (rear) facade displays dentil molding identical to that of the main building.

Dominating the main (east) facade, the two-story central portico is supported by four square one-story wood columns on each floor. The first floor columns are proportionally taller and thicker than the second-story columns. Bounded by transom and sidelights, the first story double door entrance is crowned by an entablature with supporting pilasters. Featuring the familiar dentil molding, this entablature is framed on each side by a set of larger pilasters. The second floor entrance opens onto the balcony which at one time was enclosed by a slat balustrade, but was later replaced by the present cross diagonal balustrade. An entablature and pilasters frame the door while another pair of pilasters compliments the first floor's outer pilasters.

Typically symmetric for a Greek Revival house, the three bay east facade exhibits an "aba" pattern as demonstrated by the central portico and doors with windows flanking each side. Repeating the subtle difference in proportions as exhibited by the columns, the first floor windows contain six over nine lights, while the corresponding second floor windows display six over six lights. All are framed by molded trim. Reinforcing the "aba" rhythm, the placement of the portico's columns again adds to the symmetry.

On the south facade, the second floor of the original house is symmetrically pierced by three six over six light windows. The large first story west and central six over nine light windows correspond to the second floor openings, while a single door framed by pilasters and an entablature is situated near the east corner. To the rear (west) is a one-story ell wing with a small entrance, two six over six light windows and a standing seam tin roof.

Similar to the south facade, the north wall reveals three bays with three six over nine light first floor windows and three six over six light windows on the second floor, all embellished with molded architraves.

The interior of the Crocheron-McDowall house contains many unique elements. Perhaps the most unusual aspect is the floor plan with its novel reception

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hall. Running the entire width (north-south) rather than the length of the house this one-story reception hall leads into two large rooms and together they constitute the first floor plan of the main structure. The second floor includes a hall and sewing room over the reception hall and two bedrooms on the west end. The one-story ell wing contains a kitchen, cistern and dining room. Other distinctive features of the house include the six over nine light windows and the hand-carved walnut bannister which were shipped from New York City to Galveston and delivered to Bastrop by rail and freight wagon. The twelve foot ceilings of the first floor rooms are decorated with wainscotting.

# 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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
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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

1857

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Crocheron-McDowall house at 1502 Wilson is one of the finest examples of Greek Revival architecture not only in Bastrop, but in Texas as well. Built in 1857 for the prominent Bastrop entrepreneur, Henry Crocheron, the two story wood frame house was for many years the social and intellectual center in Bastrop. Although the architect is unknown, Crocheron went to great expense to construct a house of fine quality.

Little is known of Crocheron's early years. As a young man, he went to Montgomery, Alabama and opened a mercantile business. In 1837 Crocheron bought 12 black slaves and moved to the small community of Bastrop, Texas. By selling the slaves, he was able to buy several stores in the town and was one of the founders of the Bastrop Steam Mill, Incorporated, the first industrial enterprise in Bastrop. He soon became a leader in the community and served as county treasurer from 1851 to 1853.

Quickly amassing a fortune, Crocheron decided to build a home and went to great lengths to insure that the structure was of excellent quality. The 6/9 windows and hand-carved bannister were shipped from New York to Galveston and then by rail and freight wagon to Bastrop. The remainder of the house was constructed of Texas cedar and was milled in Bastrop's many saw mills. Finished in 1857, the elegant Greek Revival house symbolized Crocheron's affluence.

Soon after the house was completed, the Civil War broke out and greatly disrupted commercial trade. Crocheron attempted to continue his prosperity by trading Texas cotton for English products via Mexico. During the war Crocheron's niece, Mary Ann Nicholson moved into the house. Accompanying her uncle on one of his business trips to Matamoris in 1864, Mary Ann met an Englishman named William McDowall. Four years later they were married and eventually settled in London. Mr. McDowall died the following year of yellow fever enroute to England after a business trip to Central America. In 1869 Mary Ann and her three month old daughter, Ruth returned to Bastrop to live with her uncle. When Crocheron died in 1874, he willed the house to Mrs. McDowall.

An accomplished musician, Mrs. McDowall soon began teaching music and the house became Bastrop's center for social and intellectual life. Numerous parties, lectures and concerts were given at the house. However, when her daughter died in 1897, Mrs. McDowall moved to Houston to live with her sister. A strong and determined woman, Mrs. McDowall again began to teach and eventually became

# 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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 Jones, Margaret Belle, Bastrop. Wichita Falls Tex: Nortex Press, 1977.  
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 Moore, Bill, Bastrop County 1691-1900. San Angelo Tex: Educator Books, 1973.

# 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1.3 acres

UTM REFERENCES

A 

1	4	6	6	1	6	3	5	3	3	3	2	6	3	5
ZONE				EASTING				NORTHING						

B 

ZONE				EASTING				NORTHING						

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Farm Lot 17

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

Joe Williams, Project Director; David Moore, Research Assistant

ORGANIZATION

Texas Historical Commission

DATE

October 28, 1977

STREET & NUMBER

1511 Colorado

TELEPHONE

512/475-3094

CITY OR TOWN

Austin

STATE

Texas

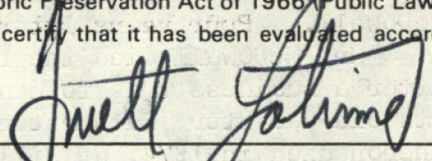
# 12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL      STATE      LOCAL X

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

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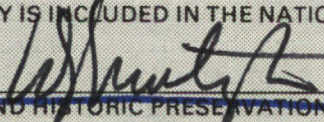
DATE

11-16-1977

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

ATTEST:

  
Watson Cole  
 DIRECTOR OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION
 

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

4/20/78

DATE

4-12-78

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the president of the 1st YWCA in Texas. Her unpublished manuscript "Journey Down Memory Lane" sheds light into Bastrop's early history. When she died in 1933, the house was sold. Since then it has had numerous owners and is still used as a residence. The present owners show great interest in the house's significance and have made plans to restore the structure.

Property Crocherson - McDowall House

78003357

State Ind.

Working Number 11.25.77.1992

Bastrop

**TECHNICAL**

Photos 5

Maps 1

~~#12 needs date~~

D. Mome / pl  
3.27.

**CONTROL**

OK 11.28.77

THE HOUSE IS ONE OF THE FINEST EXAMPLES OF THE GREEK REVIVAL STYLE IN TEXAS.

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN 2

ACCEPT  
H. Spitt  
2/13/78

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

accept  
Barbara  
1.12.78

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

HAER

Inventory \_\_\_\_\_

Review \_\_\_\_\_

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

of architectural  
significance

Accept  
Lelovich  
3/23/78

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

Approved  
4/20/78

National Register Write-up \_\_\_\_\_

Send-back \_\_\_\_\_

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Federal Register Entry 6.6.78

Re-submit \_\_\_\_\_

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185  
Crocheron-McDowall  
1502 Wilson  
Bastrop, Bastrop County, Texas  
John Volz 1972  
Texas Historical Commission  
Door detail

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Crocheron-MsDowall  
1502 Wilson  
Bastrop, Bastrop County, Texas  
John Volz 1972  
Texas Historical Commission  
Southern elevation

285

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Crocheron-McDowall House  
1502 Wilson  
Bastrop, Bastrop County, Texas  
Ted B. Powers 1970  
Texas Historical Commission  
Northeast Oblique

325

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Crocheron-McDowall House  
1502 Wilson  
Bastrop, Bastrop County, Texas  
John Volz 1972  
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Southeast Oblique

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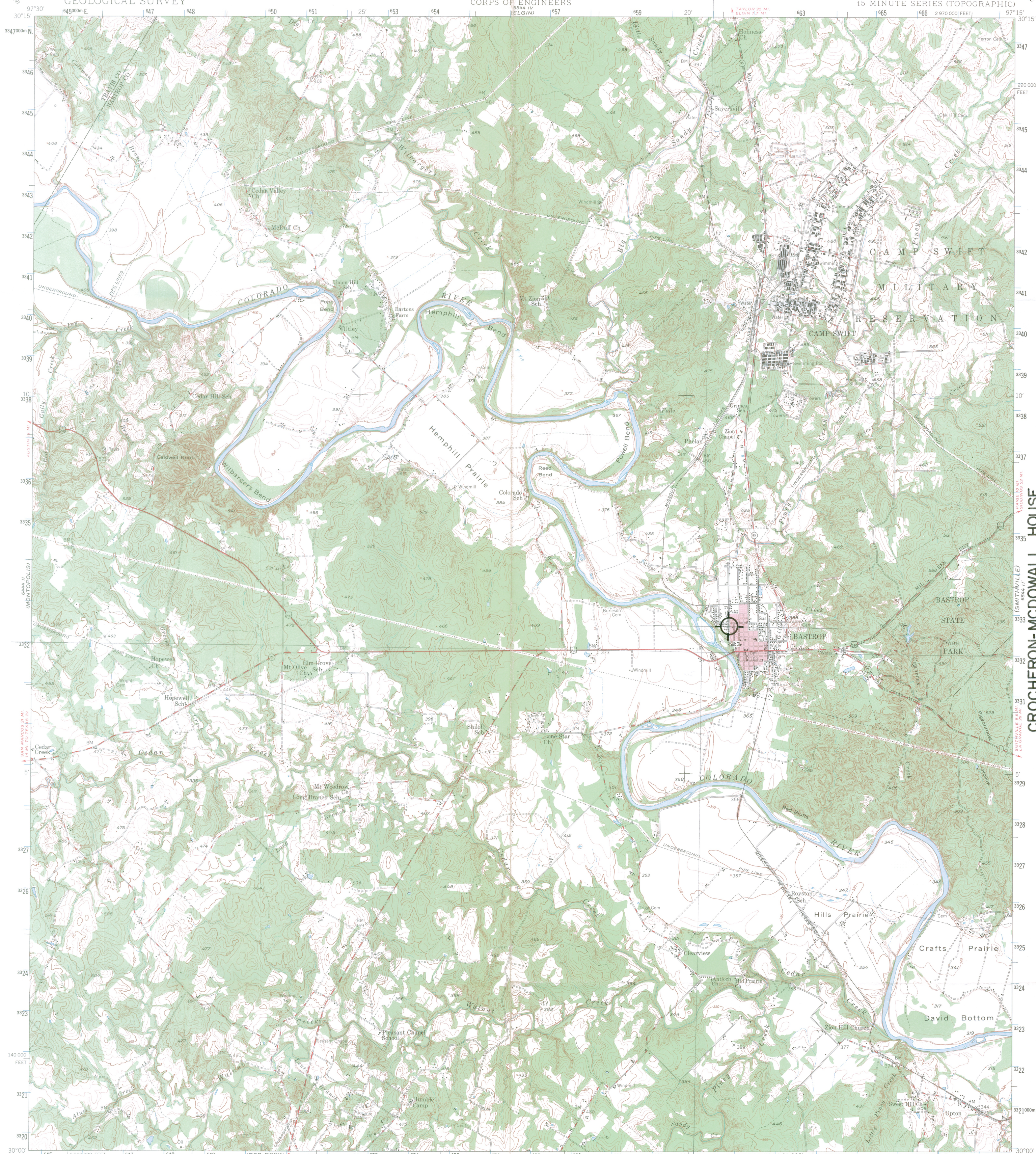
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1502 Wilson  
Bastrop, Bastrop County, Texas  
John Volz 1972  
Texas Historical Commission  
Front elevation

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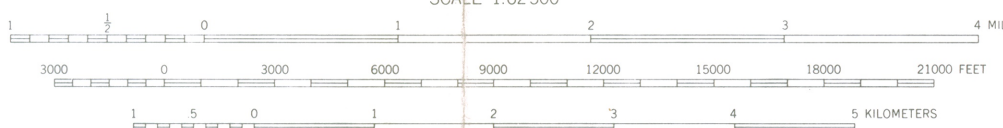
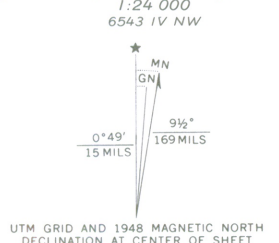
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CROCHERON-MCDOWALL HOUSE  
1502 WILSON STREET  
BASTROP, BASTROP COUNTY, TEXAS  
UTM REFERENCE 14/661635/3332635

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Edited and published by the Geological Survey  
Control by USC&GS and AMS  
Topography from aerial photographs by multiplex methods  
Aerial photographs taken 1947. Field check 1948  
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum  
10,000-foot grid based on Texas coordinate system,  
central zone  
No distinction is made between dwellings, barns,  
commercial and industrial buildings  
Red tint indicates area in which only  
landmark buildings are shown  
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,  
zone 14, shown in blue



THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS  
FOR SALE BY U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, DENVER, COLORADO 80225 OR WASHINGTON, D. C. 20242  
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

HARD-SURFACE ALL WEATHER ROADS	DRY WEATHER ROADS
Heavy-duty	LEAN-RELAY Improved dirt
Medium-duty	LEAN-RELAY Unimproved dirt
Loose-surface, graded, or narrow hard-surface	
U. S. Route	State Route

BASTROP, TEX.  
N3000-W9715/15  
1948  
AMS 6544 III-SERIES V782

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ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE      TEXAS

Date Entered      APR 20 1978

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Crocheron-McDowall House	Bastrop Bastrop County

Also Notified

Hon. John G. Tower

Hon. Lloyd M. Bentsen

Hon. J. J. (Jake) Pickle

NR      Mott      4/27/78

State Historic Preservation Officer  
Mr. Truett Latimer  
Executive Director  
Texas Historical Commission  
P. O. Box 12276, Capitol Station  
Austin, Texas 78711

# NATIONAL REGISTER DATA SHEET

① NAME as it appears on federal register: Crocheron-McDowall House  
 ② OTHER NAMES:  
 ③ date of entry: APR 20 1978  
 ④ county code: 48

⑤ LOCATION street & number: 1502 Wilson St.  
 city / town: Bastrop  
 vicinity of:  
 state: TX  
 county: Bastrop  
 ⑥ NPS REGION: SW

⑦ OWNER  PRIVATE  STATE  MUNICIPAL  COUNTY  MULTIPLE  FEDERAL (agency name)  
 ⑧ ADMINISTRATOR:

⑨ EXISTING SURVEYS  HABS  HAER  NHL  
 ⑩ FUNDED?  YES  NO  
 ⑪ CONGRESS. DISTRICT: 10th  
 ⑫ SOURCE of NOMINATION  STATE  FEDERAL  
 if state who prepared form?

⑬ WITHIN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT?  
 YES, NAME  NO  
 ⑭ WITHIN NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK?  
 YES, NAME  NO  
 ⑮ ACREAGE  
 LOCAL  PRIVATE ORGANIZATION

⑯ CONDITION  
 excellent  
 good  
 fair  
 deteriorated  
 ruins  
 unexposed  
 unexcavated  
 altered  
 unaltered  
 reconstructed  
 excavated  
 original site  
 moved  
 unknown

⑰ features:  
 INTERIOR  
 SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-1  
 NOT INTACT-0  
 UNKNOWN-4  
 NOT APPLICABLE-7  
 EXTERIOR  
 SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-2  
 NOT INTACT-0  
 UNKNOWN-5  
 NOT APPLICABLE-8  
 ENVIRONS  
 SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-3  
 NOT INTACT-0  
 UNKNOWN-6  
 NOT APPLICABLE-9

⑱ ACCESS  YES-Restricted  YES-Unrestricted  No Access  Unknown  
 ⑲ ADAPTIVE USE  YES  NO  
 ⑳ SAVED?  YES  
 IS PROPERTY A HISTORIC DISTRICT?  yes  no

㉑ AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE:  
 ARCHEOLOGY-prehistoric-2  
 ARCHEOLOGY-historic-1  
 AGRICULTURE-3  
 ARCHITECTURE-4  
 ART-5  
 ENGINEERING-11  
 ENTERTAINMENT-26  
 EXPLORATION-12  
 HEALTH-27  
 ECONOMICS-9  
 EDUCATION-10  
 LANDSCAPE ARCH.-15  
 LAW-16  
 LITERATURE-17  
 MILITARY-18  
 MUSIC-19  
 PHILOSOPHY-20  
 POLITICS/GOVT.-21  
 RELIGION-22  
 SCIENCE-23  
 SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN-24  
 SOCIAL/CULTURAL-30  
 TRANSPORTATION-25  
 RECREATION-28  
 SETTLEMENT-29  
 URBAN PLANNING-31  
 OTHER (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

㉒ CLAIMS: explain  
 'first'   
 'oldest'   
 'only'

㉓ functions  
 WHEN HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT:  
 CURRENTLY:  
 ㉔ dates of initial construction:  
 major alterations:  
 historic events:  
 ㉕ ETHNIC GROUP ASSOCIATION

㉖ architectural style(s):  
 ㉗ architect:  
 ㉘ master builder:  
 ㉙ engineer:

㉚ landscape architect / garden designer:  
 ㉛ interior decorator:  
 ㉜ artist:  
 ㉝ artisan:  
 ㉞ builder/contractor:

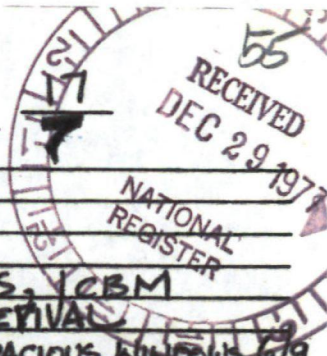
㉟ NAMES give role & date  
 PERSONAL:  
 EVENTS:  
 INSTITUTIONAL:

㊱ NATIONAL REGISTER WRITE-UP

CROCHERON-MCDONALL HSE. COUNTY CITY QUAD

NAME: HENRY CROCHERON HOUSE  
ADDRESS: 1502 WILSON STREET

BLOCK: BAS  
LOT: BA NW  
COUNTY: BASTROP  
CITY: BASTROP  
PERIOD: LSS  
DATE: 1857  
THEME: AAGR, PAS, YCBM  
STYLE: GREEK REVIVAL



ARCHITECT/BUILDER: HENRY CROCHERON  
OWNER: JIM HABER & L.N. DUDUY  
1502 WILSON - BASTROP, TEX.

DESCRIPTION: 2-STORY FRAME, CONSTRUCTED ENTIRELY OF CEDAR, SPACIOUS WINDOWS & 9 LIGHTS. SHIPPED FROM NEW YORK VIA GALVESTON. UNIQUE HALLWAY EXTENDS THE LENGTH OF THE FRONT OF THE HOUSE. W/ 2 LARGE ROOMS BEHIND 2-STORY PORTICO W/ SQ. COLS. FLAT ROOF  
SIGNIFICANCE: ONE OF THE FINEST & MOST INTACT GREEK REVIVAL RESIDENCES IN THE STATE AS WELL AS THE HOME OF H. CROCHERON (FOUNDER OF BASTROP STEAM MILL, BASTROP'S FIRST INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISE (1838)).

DESIGNATION: NR NHL [RTH] [HABS] HAER OTHER: HABS 1936, DRAWINGS & PHOTOGRAPHS.

ORIGINAL USE: RESIDENCE

PRESENT USE: RESIDENCE

PHYSICAL CONDITION: FAIR. NEEDS MUCH FOUNDATION WORK.

Altered/unaltered: REAR ADDITION

CONSTRUCTION: wall: WOOD FRAME (CEDAR) roof: TIN, DRAINS TO DOWNSPOUTS AT REAR

RELATIONSHIP TO SURROUNDINGS: FACES E. ON WILSON ST. BETWEEN CEDAR & PUTTONWOOD

ACREAGE/BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: 2-ACRES @,

BIBLIOGRAPHIC DATA: TEXAS HOMES OF 19TH CENTURY - ALEXANDER - UNIVERSITY PRESS

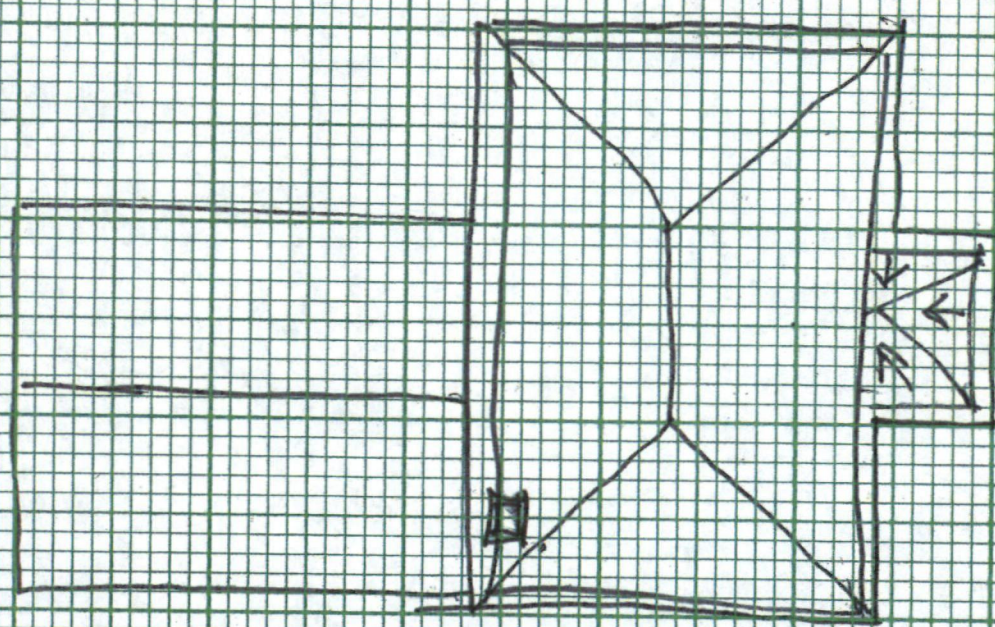
INFORMANT: MRS. NELL HEKIDON - BASTROP HISTORICAL COMMISSION

RECORDED BY: TBP

PHOTOGRAPHIC DATA: 11 - 4x5 B&W

DATE: 12/69

SEE INFO/CORRESPONDENCE FILES: TAL



Wilson Street

COUNTY CITY QUAD BLOCK LOT: BAS BA NW 17  
 NAME: Crocheron-McDowall House COUNTY: Bastrop  
 ADDRESS: 1502 Wilson St. CITY: Bastrop  
 ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Henry Crocheron PERIOD: LSD  
 OWNER: Jim Haber & L.N. Duduy DATE: 1857  
 THEME: AAGR, PAS, ICBM  
 STYLE: Greek Revival

DESCRIPTION: 2-story frame, constructed entirely of cedar, spacious wdws w/ a lights shipped from NY via Galveston. Unique hallway extends the length of the front of the house. 2 large rooms behind 2-story portico w/ sq. columns flat roof

SIGNIFICANCE: One of the finest and most intact Greek Revival residences in state. Home of Henry Crocheron, founder of Bastrop Steam Mill - Bastrop's 1st industrial enterprise (1858). Crocheron lived there until 1874; his daughter Mary Ann McDowall resided there 1874 to 1897. Social center of Bastrop.

DESIGNATION:  NR  NHL  RTHL  HABS HAER OTHER: HA

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

PRESENT USE: Residence

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Fair, Needs much foundation work

altered/unaltered: Rear additions

CONSTRUCTION: wall: wood frame (cedar) roof: Tin; drains to down spouts @ rear

RELATIONSHIP TO SURROUNDINGS: Faces east on Wilson St. btwn Cedar & Buttonwood Sts.

ACREAGE/BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: \_\_\_\_\_

BIBLIOGRAPHIC DATA: Texas Homes of 19th Century - Blake Alexander - University Press; NR files

INFORMANT: Mrs. Nell Herndon - Bastrop County Historical Commission

RECORDED BY: TBP PHOTOGRAPHIC DATA: 11-4x5 B&W

DATE: 12-69 SEE INFO/CORRESPONDENCE FILES: THL



NAME: CROCHERON - McDOWALL HOUSE

ADDRESS: 1502 WILSON STREET

CO BLK PAS 17  
CITY QUAD LOT BA NW 7



VIEW: SOUTHEAST OBLIQUE

RECORDED BY: TBP

DATE: 12/69

KODAK SAFETY FILM

VIEW  
DIR SIDE

BA  
S



Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000828