

7 PROBATE JUDGE DAVID TATE'S  
Box OLD OFFICE ITEM 18  
6 Jk. Co. Scots. Site #19

TARCOG HISTORICAL SURVEY  
Final Report Form

Make your answers as concise as possible.

Number as appears on your county map 19

1. Name of site or structure Probate Judge David Tate's Old Office

2. Location of site or structure (including township, range and section number, and which quadrant of section if known) Railroad Avenue

3. Description one-story brick building with late Greek Revival type details such as two-panel entry door, heavy cornice, etc. Date is unknown, but could be as early as 1855 based on design. More information should be obtained as this building is important to Jackson County's history. The building has wide side eaves forming porches. It may have served as a depot.

4. Historical significance of site or structure if known It was used to house the offices of the Jackson County Probate Judge before the Courthouse was built in Scottsboro.

**Names:**

Probate Judge David  
Tate's Old Office

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Tate, David

**Places:**

Jackson County, AL

**Types:**

survey

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TARCOG  
HISTORICAL SURVEY PHOTOGRAPH RECORD

County: Jackson

Field Surveyors' Names: Booth  
Cottney

I. Information on Photograph  
Photographer: Booth  
Date of Photograph: 4/3/74 View Description: Front-left side,  
Roll Number: Front-Right side  
Exposure Number: \_\_\_\_\_

II. Information on Site  
Place Number on Map (Blue Ink): 19  
(Copied from number used in recording it on appropriate County Highway Map)  
Historical Notes Number (Red Ink): 19  
(If there is a historical notes form filled in for this place, write it in the photograph number in the upper right-hand corner of this form in space provided).  
Location (Word Description): on Railroad Avenue across the  
R.R. tracks from the R.R. Station. Look for large "Pepsi" signs

Owner or Occupant: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name, if known)  
Address: Railroad Avenue, Scottsboro Ala.

TYPE of Structure: ( ) House ( ) Outbuilding (X) Commercial  
(where appropriate, ( ) Barn ( ) Industrial ( ) Other, describe  
check one or more)

Apparent period of construction: ( ) Federal  
( ) Greek Revival  
( ) Mid-19th Century  
( ) Latter 19th Century  
( ) Early 20th Century

Apparent period of Additions: ( ) Federal  
(if appropriate) ( ) Greek Revival  
( ) Mid-19th Century  
( ) Latter 19th Century  
( ) Early 20th Century  
( ) Later 20th Century (modern)

III. Remarks and Sketches if appropriate: reportedly oldest Brick structure  
in Scottsboro

Date of completion: 4/3/74 Form HS-2

**Names:**

Booth,  
Cottney,

Probate Judge David  
Tate's Old Office

Tate, David

**Places:**

Jackson County, AL

**Types:**

survey

**Dates:**

Apr 03, 1974

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TARCOG  
ARCHITECTURAL--HISTORICAL NOTES  
FIELD SURVEYOR  
RECORDING FORM

County: Jackson

Field Surveyors' Names: Booth  
Cottney

Historical Notes Number: 19  
(Red Ink)

Photograph Record Number:  
(Blue Ink)

1. Name: Probate Judge David Tate's Old Law Office

2. Location: Railroad Avenue, Scottsboro

3. Owner of Property:

4. Geographical Data:

5. Acreage:

6. Classification: building

7. Integrity:

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**Names:**

Booth,  
Cottney,

Probate Judge David  
Tate's Old Office

**Places:**

Jackson County, AL

**Types:**

survey

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8. Condition: poor

9. Present Use: dwelling

10. Areas of Significance: reported to be oldest standing brick structure in  
reportedly  
Scottsboro. Judge David Tate used this building after the county seat  
was moved from Bellefonte to Scottsboro until new court house could be  
built Ref: Hamner, Pictorial Walk, p.46; Kennamer, History of Jackson  
Co., p.68

11. Architectural Description:

12. Sketches of structure or site when applicable:

Date of Completion:

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p. 2

**Names:**

Hamner,  
Kennamer,

Probate Judge David  
Tate's Old Office

Tate, David

**Places:**

Jackson County, AL

**Types:**

survey



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### HISTORIC PLACE

This old building on Railroad Avenue, one of the oldest still standing in the Scottsboro area, has been nominated for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. It was used to house the Probate Judge's office, when the county seat was moved from Bellefonte to Scottsboro, until the Jackson County Courthouse was built in Scottsboro. It is also thought to have been used as a depot. It is hoped that this old building can be preserved as a part of Scottsboro's heritage. Part of it has been torn away since this picture was made. It is one of more than 50 buildings and sites in Jackson County that are being considered for listing in the National Register.

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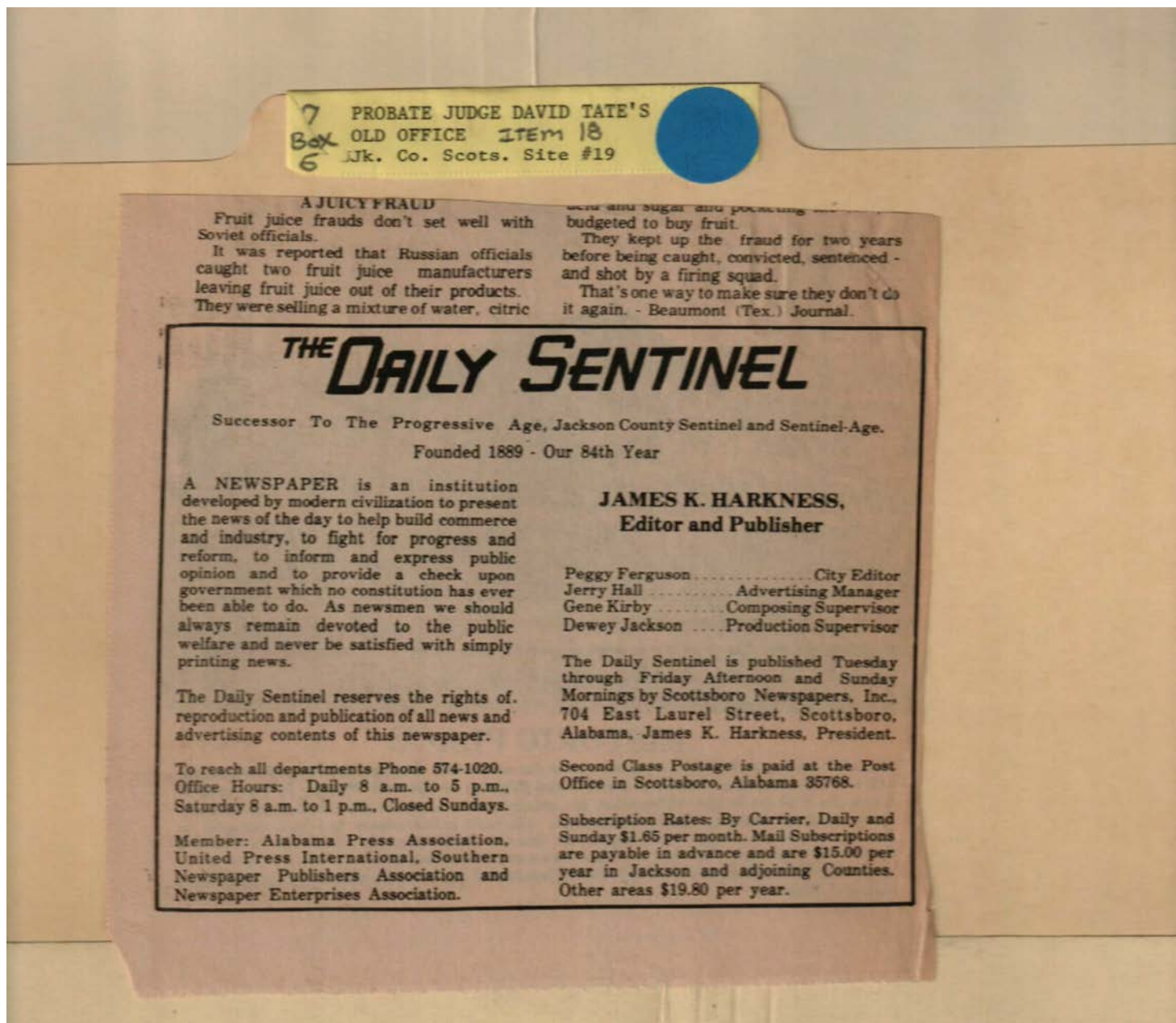
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Tate's Old Office

**Places:**

Jackson County, AL

**Types:**

photograph



**Names:**

Ferguson, Peggy  
Hall, Jerry

Harkness, James K.  
Jackson, Dewey

Kirby, Gene  
The Daily Sentinel

**Places:**

Jackson County, AL

**Types:**

newspaper

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**Names:**

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Cottney,

Probate Judge David  
Tate's Old Office

**Places:**

Jackson County, AL

**Types:**

survey

**Dates:**

Apr 03, 1974



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ARCHITECTURAL--HISTORICAL NOTES  
FIELD SURVEYOR  
RECORDING FORM

County: Jackson

Field Surveyors' Names: Booth  
Cottney

Historical Notes Number: 20 / 19  
(Red Ink)

Photograph Record Number: 194-195  
(Blue Ink)

1. Name: Probate Judge David Tate's Old Law Office

2. Location: Railroad Avenue, Scottsboro

3. Owner of Property:

4. Geographical Data:

5. Acreage:

6. Classification: building

7. Integrity:

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**Names:**

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Cottney,

Probate Judge David  
Tate's Old Office

**Places:**

Jackson County, AL

**Types:**

survey



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8. Condition: poor

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was moved from Bellefonte to Scottsboro until new court house could be  
built Ref: Hamnar, Pictorial Walk, p.46; Kennamer, History of Jackson  
Co., p.68

11. Architectural Description:

12. Sketches of structure or site when applicable:

Date of Completion:

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**Names:**

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Kennamer,

Probate Judge David  
Tate's Old Office

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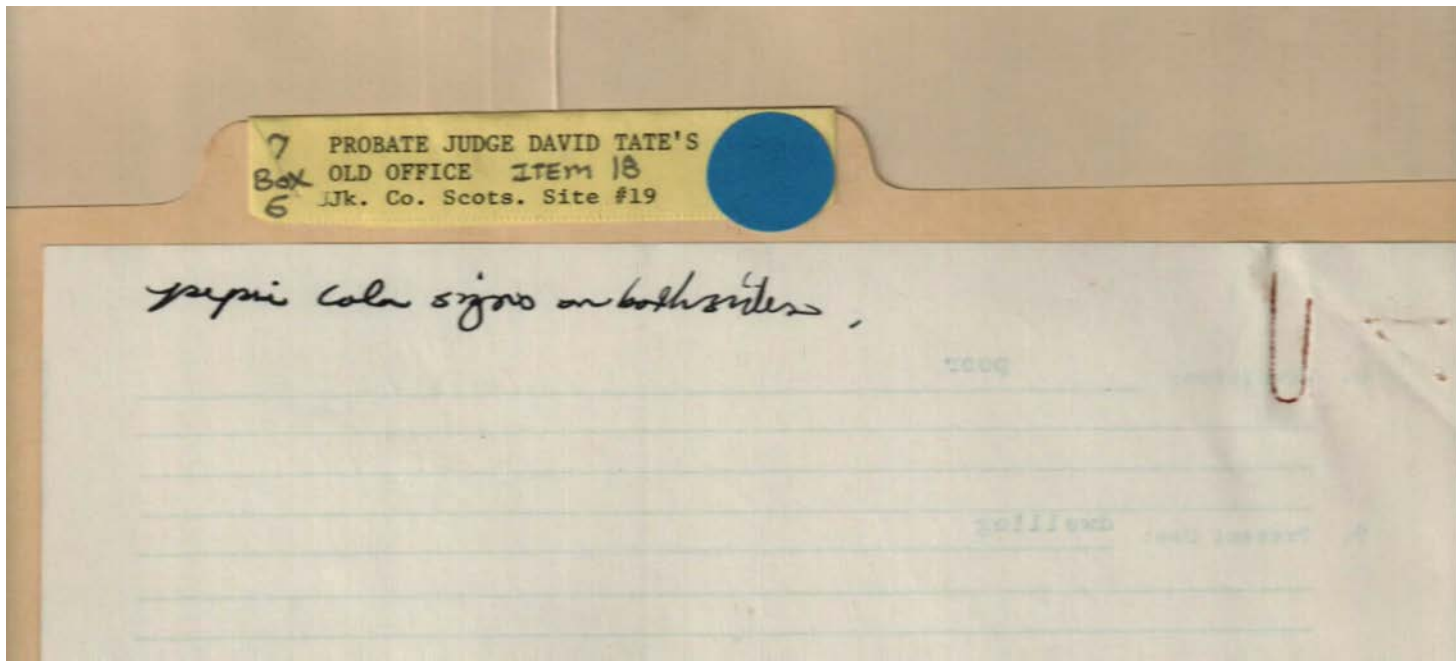
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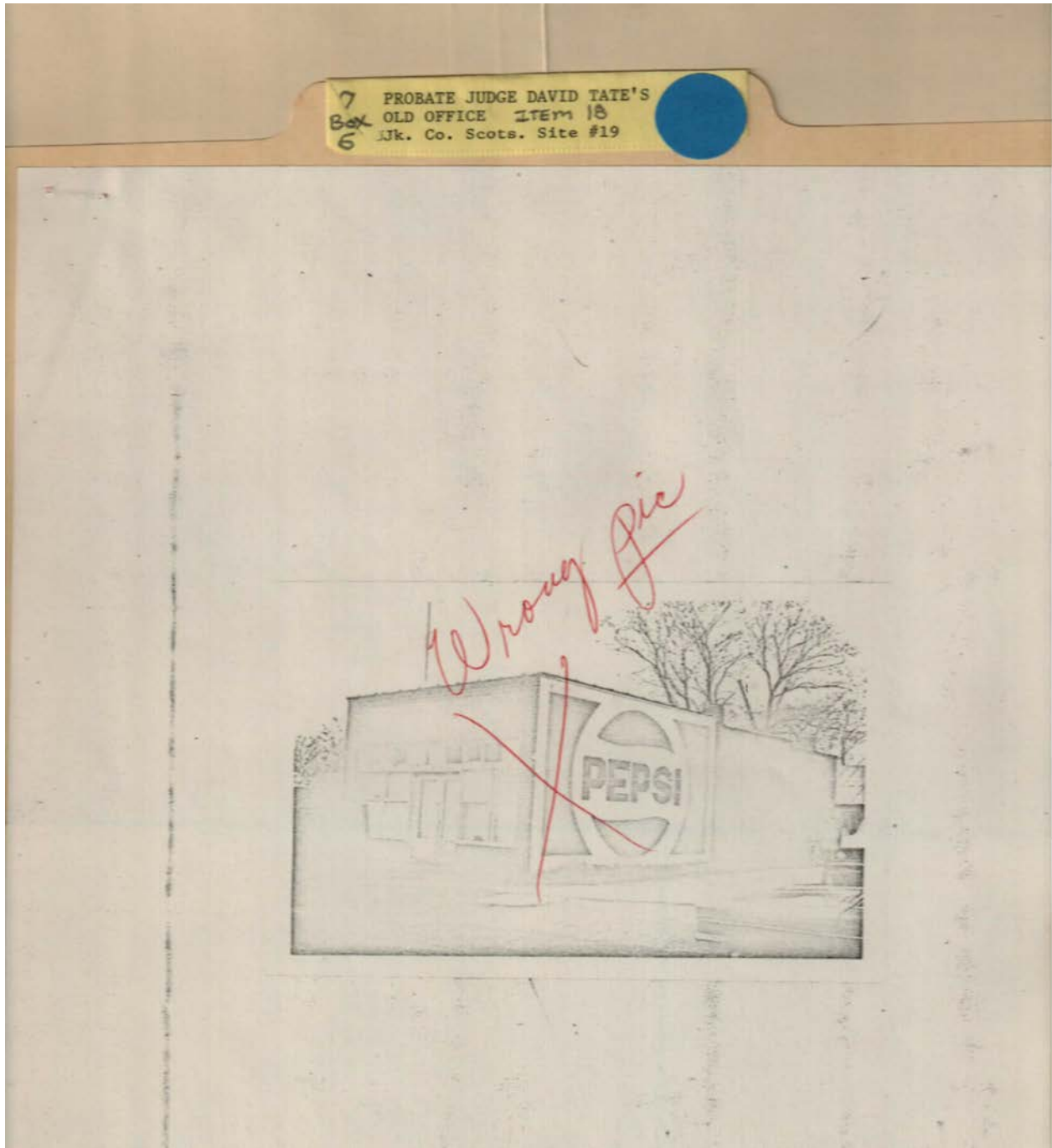
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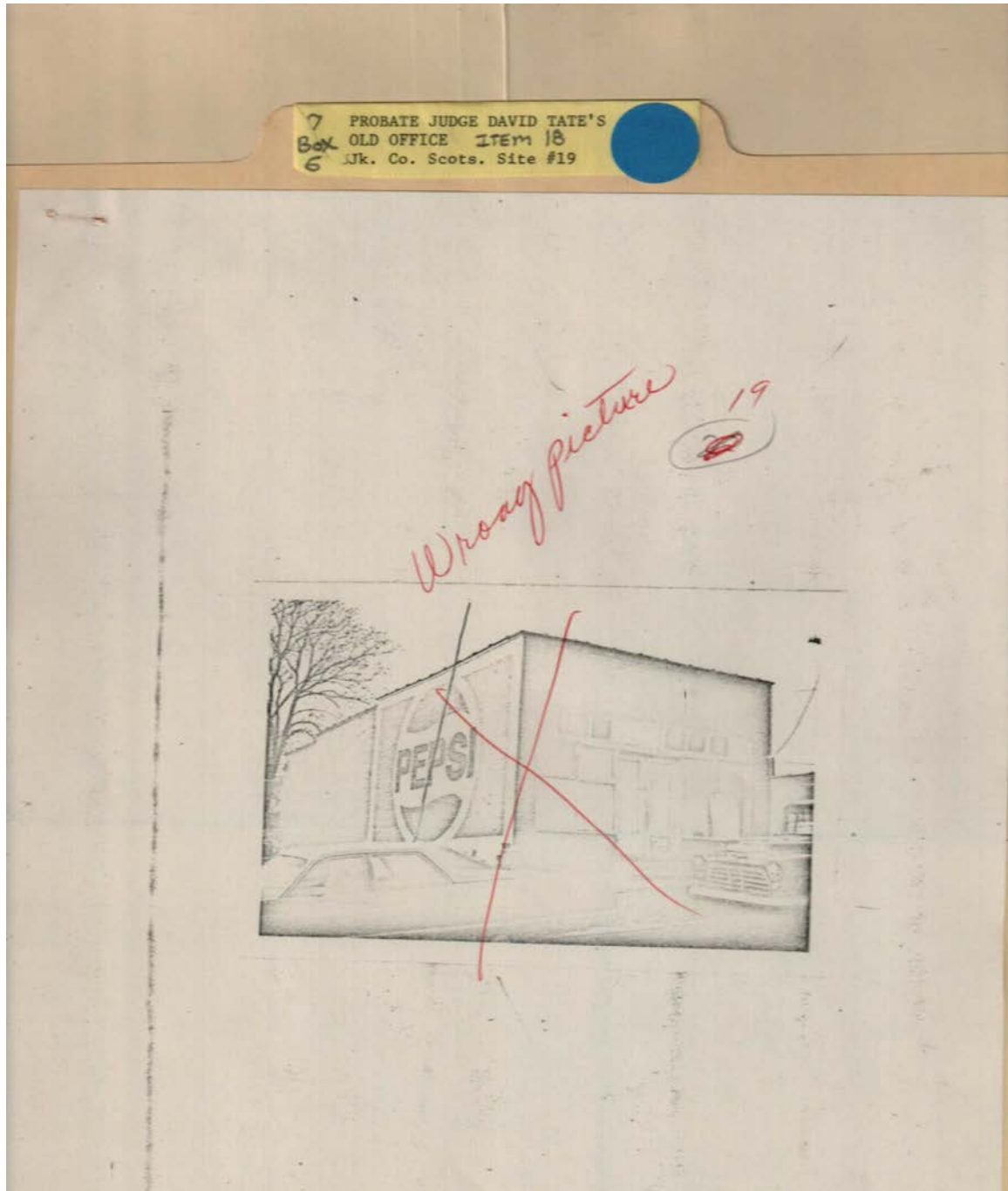
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**Types:**

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# Frances Cabaniss Roberts Collection

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