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Mentone Springs Hotel, built in 1884 {burned} - DeKalb Co.

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Item 30

Name and No.	MENTONE SPRINGS HOTEL DK. Co. Site #8 Sec. 27, T5S, R10E	
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TARCOG ARCHITECTURAL--HISTORICAL NOTES FIELD SURVEYOR RECORDING FORM	County: <u>DEKALB</u>
	Field Surveyors' Names: <u>Feares</u>
	<u>Booth</u>
	Historical Notes Number: <u>29-FS</u> (Red Ink)
	Photograph Record Number: <u>D127 - D131</u> (Blue Ink)

1.	Name:	<u>Mentone Hotel</u>
2.	Location:	<u>Mar Valley Road</u>
3.	Owner of Property:	<u>Melville Hall</u>
4.	Geographical Data:	
5.	Acreage:	
6.	Classification:	<u>Building</u>
7.	Integrity:	

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Names:

Hall, Melville
Mentone Hotel

TARCOG Historical
Survey

Places:

DeKalb Co., AL

Types:

form

Dates:

1884

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8. Condition: Poor

9. Present Use: Pipe repair shop and home of owner

10. Areas of Significance: Built in 1884, as 54-room hotel, by Dr. Frank Caldwell. One very peculiar detail.

11. Architectural Description:

12. Sketches of structure or site when applicable:

Date of Completion:

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Names:

Caldwell, Frank, Dr.

Mentone Hotel

Places:

DeKalb Co., AL

Types:

form

photograph

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TARCOG
HISTORICAL SURVEY PHOTOGRAPH RECORD

County: DeKalb

Field Surveyors' Names: Forbes

I. Information on Photograph

Date of Photograph: 3/23/74 Photographer: Booth
Forbes

Roll Number: _____ View Description: Mentone Hotel

Exposure Number: _____

II. Information on Site

Place Number on Map (Blue Ink): 29-
(Copied from number used in recording it on appropriate County Highway Map)

Historical Notes Number (Red Ink): 29-FS
(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): Northeast corner of intersection of
117th and W in Mentone

Owner or Occupant: Melville Hall
(Name, if known)

Address: _____

TYPE of Structure: () House () Outbuilding ☒ 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: Complete resume of Hotel appears
in 1975, The DeKalb Legend.

Date of completion: 3/23/74 Form HS-2

Names:

Hall, Melville
Mentone Hotel

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Survey

Places:

DeKalb Co., AL

Types:

form

Dates:

Mar 23, 1974

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TARCOG HISTORICAL SURVEY
Final Report Form

Make your answers as concise as possible. 29

Number as appears on your county map 8

1. Name of site or structure Mentone Springs Hotel

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

3. Description building

4. Historical significance of site or structure if known The Mentone Springs Hotel was a 57 room, two story frame building, was constructed in 1884 by Dr. Frank Caldwell, apparently from Pennsylvania. During the early 1900's when the Mentone resort area was at its height of popularity, this hotel was an important competitor to Chattanooga's Lookout Mountain resorts.



Names:

Caldwell, Frank, Dr.

Mentone Springs
Hotel

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Survey

Places:

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Dates:

1884

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Names:

Mentone Hotel

Places:

DeKalb Co., AL

Types:

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ARCHITECTURAL--HISTORICAL NOTES		
FIELD SURVEYOR		
RECORDING FORM		
County:		DEKALB
Field Surveyors' Names:		Forbes Booth
Historical Notes Number:		29-FS (Red Ink)
Photograph Record Number:		D127 - D131 (Blue Ink)
1. Name:	Mentone Hotel	
2. Location:	Near Valley Road	
3. Owner of Property:	McNair Hall	
4. Geographical Data:		
5. Acreage:		
6. Classification:	Building	
7. Integrity:		

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Name and No.	MENTONE SPRINGS HOTEL DK. Co. Site #8 Sec. 27, T5S, R10E	7 Box 5 Item 30
8. Condition:	<u>Poor</u>	
9. Present Use:	<u>Pipe across highway and house of owner.</u>	
10. Areas of Significance:	<u>Built in 1884, on 50-acre lot, by Dr. Frank Caldwell. One room for rent.</u>	
11. Architectural Description:		
12. Sketches of structure or site when applicable:		
Date of Completion:		

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Names:

Caldwell, Frank, Dr.

Mentone Hotel

Places:

DeKalb Co., AL

Types:

form

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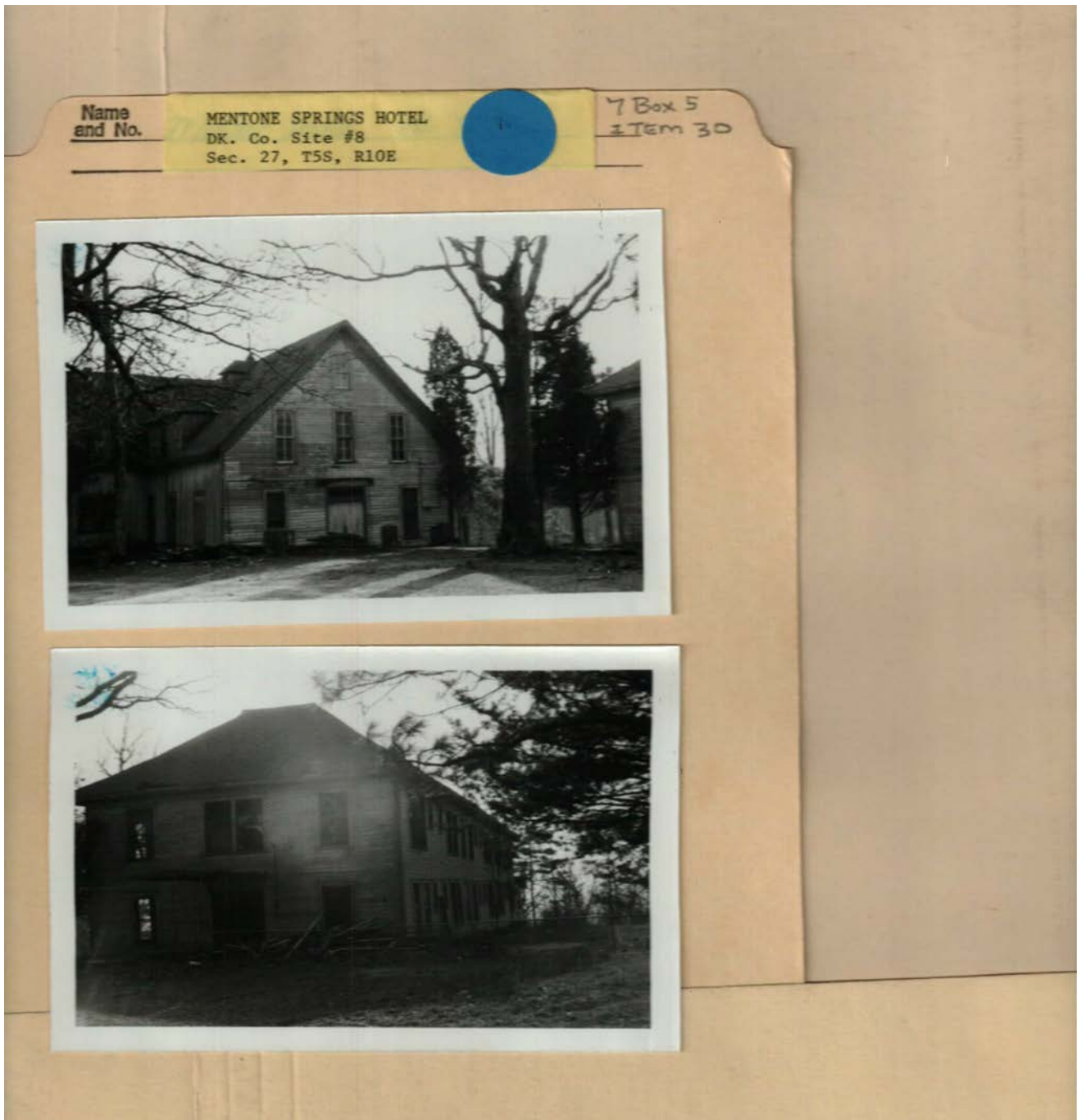
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TARCOG HISTORICAL SURVEY PHOTOGRAPH RECORD		
		County: <u>DeKalb</u>
		Field Surveyors' Names: <u>Forbes</u>
I. Information on Photograph		Photographer: <u>Booth</u> <u>Forbes</u>
Date of Photograph: <u>3/23/74</u>	View Description: <u>Mentone Hotel</u>	
Roll Number: _____		
Exposure Number: _____		
II. Information on Site		
Place Number on Map (Blue Ink): <u>29-</u> (Copied from number used in recording it on appropriate County Highway Map)		
Historical Notes Number (Red Ink): <u>29-F3</u> (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): <u>northeast corner of intersection of</u> <u>317 and W in Mentone</u>		
Owner or Occupant: <u>Melville Hall</u> (Name, if known)		
Address: _____		
TYPE of Structure:	() House () Outbuilding	☒ Commercial
(where appropriate, check one or more)	() Barn () Industrial	() Other, describe
Apparent period of construction: () Federal () Greek Revival () Mid-19th Century ☒ Latter 19th Century () Early 20th Century		
Apparent period of Additions: (if appropriate) () Federal () Greek Revival () Mid-19th Century () Latter 19th Century ☒ Early 20th Century ☒ Later 20th Century (modern)		
III. Remarks and Sketches if appropriate: <u>Complete picture of Hotel appears in 1973, The DeKalb Legend.</u>		
Date of completion: <u>3/23/74</u>		Form HS-2

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Names:

Mentone Hotel

Places:

DeKalb Co., AL

Types:

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Collection Scope and Content: The Collection of 114 Linear ft. includes a total of 156 Archival Boxes. The Frances Cabaniss Roberts collection covers the historical records of the Cabaniss Roberts family. This collection contains extensive correspondence records of the Cabaniss Roberts family circa 1830 to 1930.

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