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O. M. Mitchel who took possession in June, 1862, for use by Federal troops.

Miss Howard Weeden, daughter of Dr. Weeden, was born July 6, 1847, and died April 11, 1905. Her education, that of a gentlewoman of the time, included little technical instruction, yet she became famous for her sympathetic accuracy in painting the faces, spirit, and emotions of the old Southern Negro. Her verses and sketches were published in the following volumes: Shadows on the Wall, 1898; Bandana Ballads, 1899; Songs of the Old South, 1901; and Old Voices, 1904.

The house is now being restored for use as a museum.

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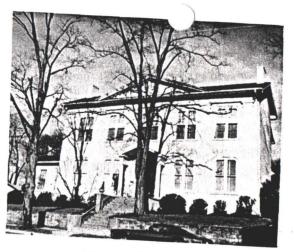
## Cox-Whitten-Hilson Home

(1) ALL, imposing, and formally symmetrical this ante-bellum residence reflects the Eastern urban background of the first owner, Joshua Cox. In his 1826 deed to Thomas A. Ronolds is the statement that the "brick house has recently been erected by George Steele and Archedeus M. Bradley for Joshua Cox." By the same deed Cox sold the water system of the town of Huntsville. In 1831 Col. Thomas G. Percy, son-in-law of LeRoy Pope and brother-in-law of John Williams Walker and great-grandfather of U.S. Sen. Charles Percy of Illinois, was living in this house. Mrs. W. H. Hilson is now the owner, having acquired it from

... Gordon heirs.

For mar years this home has been called the "Spite H The name originated from a tradition that its unusually high 14-foot first floor ceilings and 16-foot second floor ceilings resulted from a spiteful wish of the first owner to block the view of the city from the LeRoy Pope house further up the hill.

Stuccoed and converted into several apartments in this century, the original brick house consisted of eight rooms, approximately 20 feet square, plus stairway, halls, and kitchen. The woodwork is notable. Upstairs rooms retain wide plank floors. Some of the antique furnishings in the house are supposed to have been placed there by the William Robinson family before the Civil War. Large panes of glass in the windows indicate renovation in the otherwise classical pilastered facade along the hillside overlooking the town.



311 Lincoln Street

## Winston-Orgain Home

NE of the very earliest homes in Huntsville, this lovely two-story brick residence is presently owned by Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Orgain. A deed from LeRoy Pope to Arthur F. Hopkins in 1819 recites that it includes a brick house built by Peter Perkins. Perkins was appointed by the Territorial Legislature in 1809 as one of the commissioners who chose the town as county seat.



He is thought to have left the area in 1815, having served as clerk of the Circuit Court, member of the first county governing body, and representative to the Territorial Legislature.

Arthur F. Hopkins, a distinguished citizen, served as chief justice of the Alabama Supreme Court and as United States Senator and also as a member of the first state constitutional convention, state senator and representative. Leader of the Alabama Whig party, he also became, in 1856. president of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad.

Another notable owner of the property from 1842 to 1870 was Mrs. Jane Hamilton Childs, an early president of Athens College. In 1935 the house became the property of Mayme G. Woodard whose descendants still live there.

Lovingly preserved through the years, this is one of the ante-bellum homes that has never required extensive renovation. The entrance porch is a mid-Nineteenth Century addition. Especially noteworthy to architectural students are the windows, double flanked by additional rows of panes in a faintly Palladian manner.

Built on what were the "outskirts" of town at that time, this beautiful home serenely faces the core of redeveloping downtown Huntsville.

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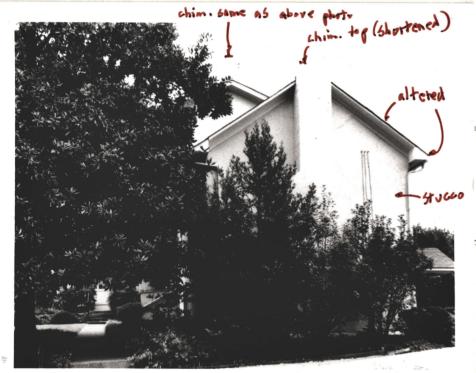
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