

DARWIN HOUSE - early 1800's log (+ shed add)

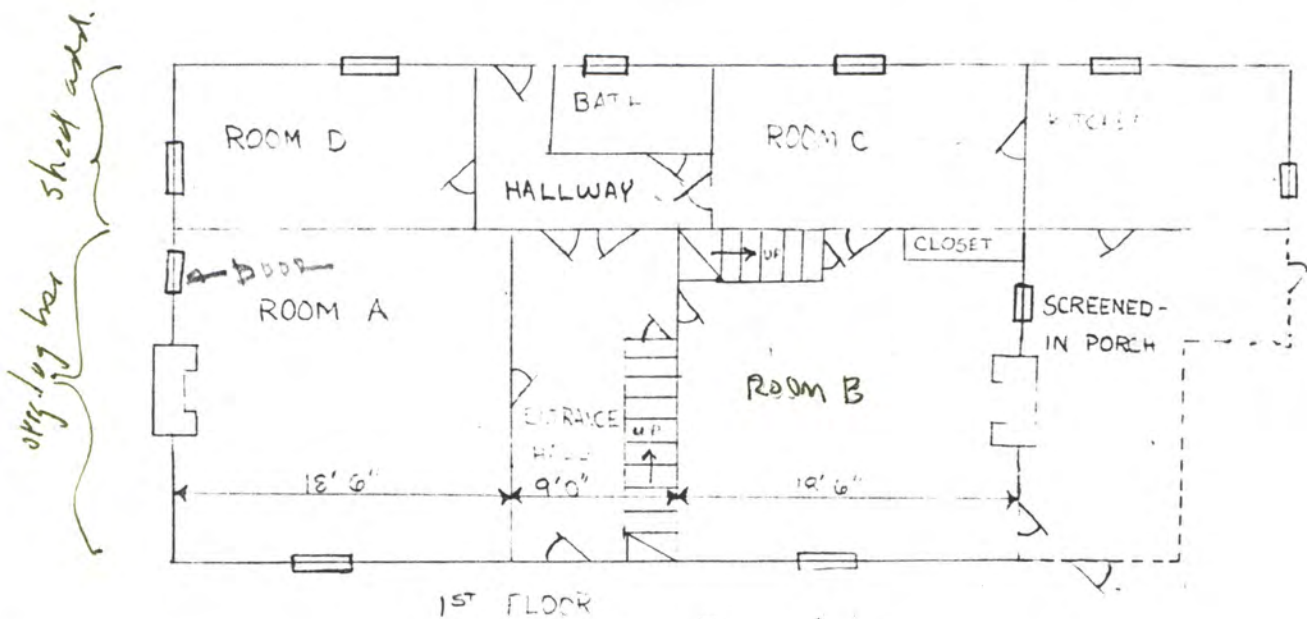
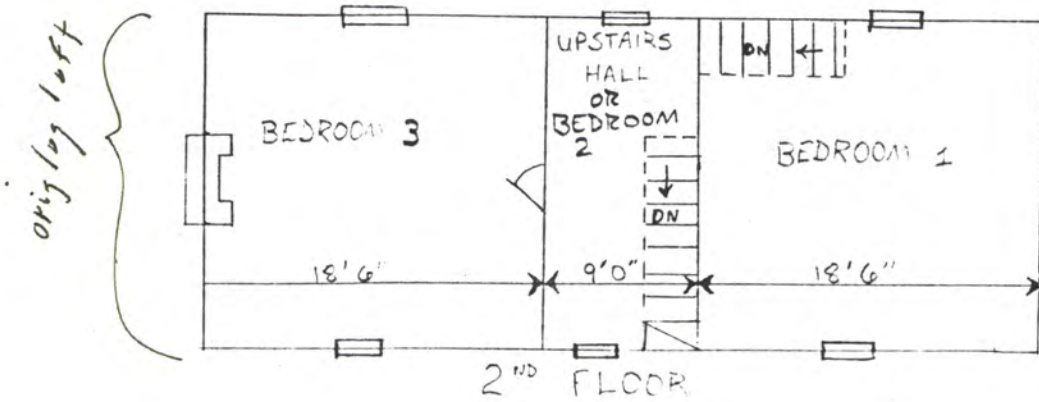
THE DARWIN HOUSE, AN EARLY 1800s LOG DOG-TROT CABIN, IS LOCATED ON DARWIN ROAD AND OWNED BY MR. SAM J. DARWIN. SAID TO BE ONE OF THE EARLIEST STRUCTURES IN THE NORTHEAST SECTION OF THE COUNTY, THE CABIN WAS ORIGINALLY A 2 STORY DOG-TROT STYLE CABIN BUILT TO HOUSE THE OVERSEER OF THE PLANTATION IT WAS LOCATED ON. IT HAS REMAINED IN THE HANDS OF THE ORIGINAL FAMILY (HUMPHREY) GAINING THE DARWIN NAME WHEN A DARWIN MARRIED INTO THE FAMILY AND INHERITED THE ESTATE. AN ADDITION WAS MADE TO THE BACK OF THE CABIN AND THE BREECRE-WAY CLOSED IN SOMEWHERE AROUND THE TURN OF THE CENTURY. ACCORDING TO THE PRESENT OWNER ALL OF THE EXISTING WOODWORK WAS DONE BY SKILLED SLAVE LABOR.

DARWIN LOG
1850-1860.

1982 notes & photos by Min. Tr. ~~Stan~~ Dyer.
Gardner

DARWIN HOUSE - Madison Co. AL

1982 sketch by Mid. Ten. State U. student
early 1800's log (+ sheet added).



DARWIN HOUSE



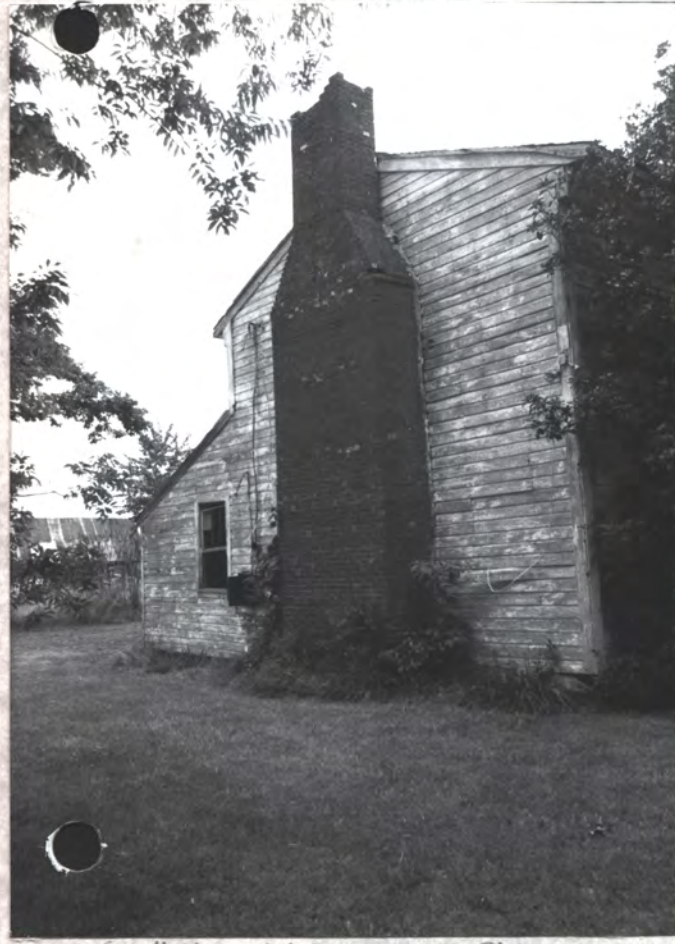
20th c. Dutch-lap claps AD



E. FRONT - PORCH + CLAPSD - 20TH C.

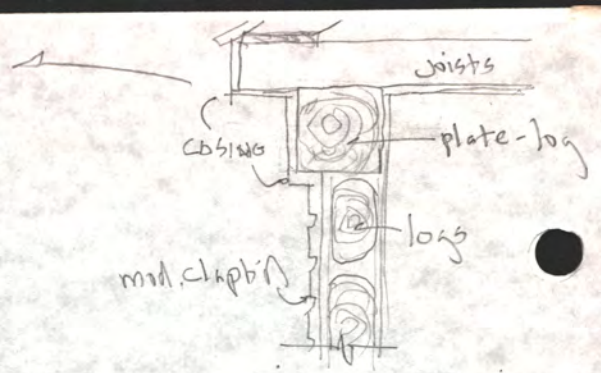


LOGS UNDER CLAPSDS

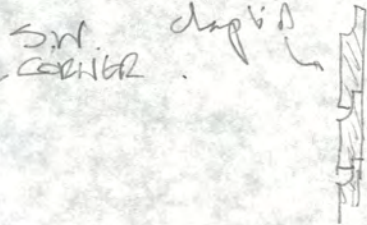


S. SIDE CHIM. LOOKS ORIG.
PARWIN LOG HSE - MADISON CO. AL
EARLY 19TH C.
1982 photos, not by H. Jones 30 of 16





It may have been originally chapt'n'd - many were - but this is 20th c. "Dutch-log"



← chimney be added N.WALL



1982 photos by a Middle-Tenn State U. student in hist. pres.

N. WALL



c. 1950-60 front door latch



N. Porch → N



Entry Hall → N
Rear door = 20th c.
Banded joists of exposit - br. cel = orig.
Stair ↑
up



← orig. joists



1st Fl. S.E. Rm.
Fed. Period mantel



← reeding

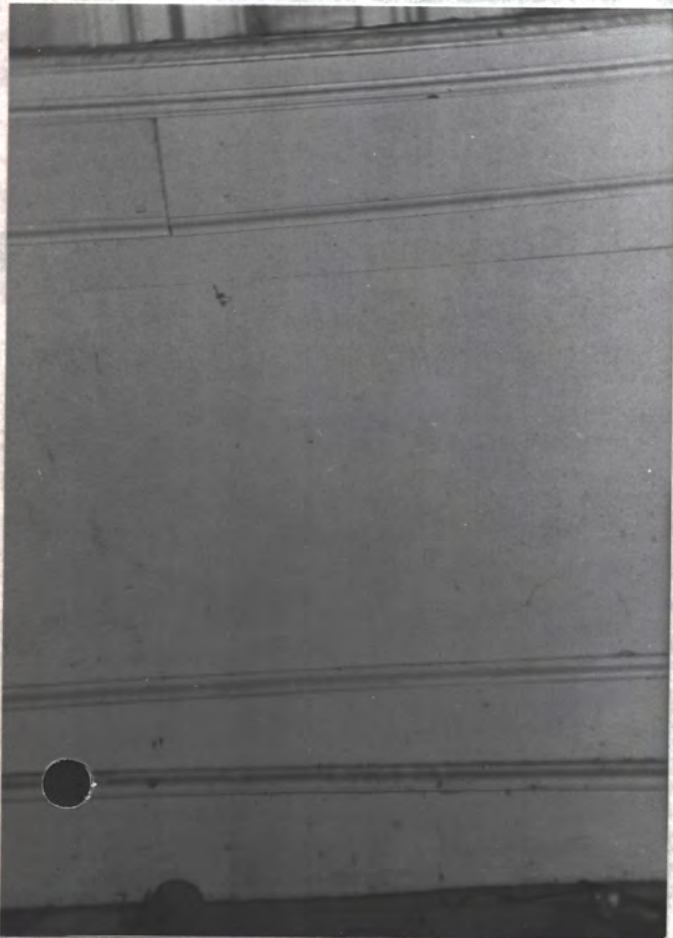


Clos. under entry stairs
(note logs)



N.A. →

← S.E. Rm



N.E. Rm.

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fed. door

Fed. Wainscot
at S.E. Rm

Darwin - 7/11/66



N.E. 1st fl Rm
 2nd stair - looks orig.
 Note 9-pan. Fed. door
 = unusual

→ N



Wood - case "stock lock"
 on clos. door under
 stair at N.E. Rm.
 (Fed.)



N.E. Rm. - 1st fl.
 Fed. Mantel
 Gl. door = 20th cent.
 (copy, may be orig.)
 Such desks mid-19th c.
 (large pieces)

Firebox opening has been
made smaller for
coal - grate

N



1st fl. NE Rm

Fed. mantel. "Arch" prob.
the result of mantel getting
getting scuffed.

Orig. exposed beaded joints at cent
+ 5/4 x 6 T&O fl. above
= most typical of Fed. Period log hses



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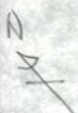
4 pnl. door = Vic.
(to back hall)

bd. of bottom door may be
orig. - to
N.E. log rm.



FL. 1 N.W. Rm
(SHED KIT.,
PROBABLY VIC.)

N.W. KIT. adln is
beyond N. door.
See below photo

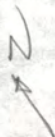


to N.E. log rm.



N.W. KIT. Adln. (VIC)
(see p. 2)

← vic. door
to ext.



Back
Hall

↓
N



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Rest door in hall by bath = c. 1910-30's type door

bath - c. 1950's fixtures



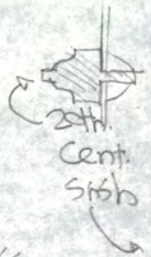
Narrow bds, indicate
c1880-1930

FL.1 S.W. Rm
S.W. LL
(Added rear shed rms.)

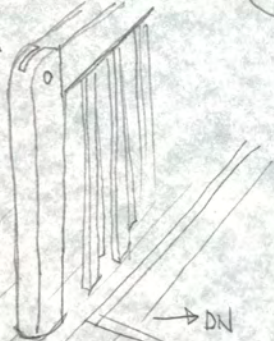


Stair dr. From fl. 2 N. Rm
to fl. 1 N.E. Rm.
Note mortise slots for
missing balusters.
Modern mid-rail
Orig. top rail & newel

N



mortise & tenon & peg



FL. 2
N. E. Log Rm

EWAST WALL



DABMM
13 of 16

FL. 2 N. E. Rm

XAN



Note baluster slots in treads.
 Existing rail removed when
 stair sidewall was added

N ←



→ N

Lamb's tongues
 at newel

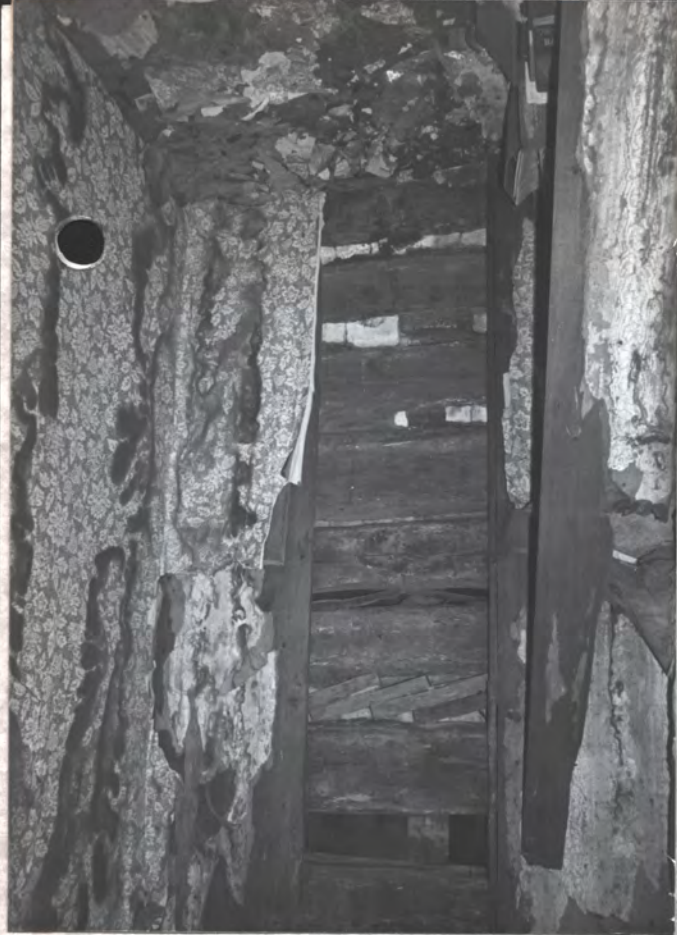


FL.2 WALL



→ N

this door not
 show on
 student's plan



Logs + wood billet chinking
(barbing game) in
S.W. corner of Fl. 2 S.E. Rm

Fl. 2 S.E. Rm (log)

Fed. period mantel
(typically shiny black)

Vic. coal - grate

Typical Fed. Period
brick hearth pattern



N.W. Wall - Fl. 2 S. Rm





Fl. 2 N. Rm

N →

Mounted? none photo'd