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*SOUTH ELK AVENUE*

**The West Side ~ Elk**

**301 SOUTH ELK** - ca. 1890; Italiante style 1 1/2 story frame with vinyl siding. An iron fence of the same period faces Elk Avenue and the south side of the house. The name of a pharmacist, W. A. Miles, is on the original gate plaque.

**305 SOUTH ELK** - ca. 1920; 1 1/2 story brick English Cottage Revival. The longtime home of the late Dr. R.E. McCown, now owned by Debra Tucker.

**311 SOUTH ELK** - The Goodrich House - ca 1893. Stick-Eastlake style. Two story home with corner turret. Built as a wedding gift for Mr. John Goodrich and Virginia Bagley. "Virgie" Goodrich lived in the home for the rest of her life. Although Mr. & Mrs. Goodrich were blessed with four children they had no grandchildren. Having no Goodrich heirs, Virgie left her beloved home to the Bagley family. The home was sold outside of the family for the first time in 2000 to Mr. & Mrs. Thornton. In 2002 Mrs. Hamilton purchased the property after losing her husband to a heart attack. Sadly, tragedy struck the Hamilton family again within a year of purchasing the home and Mrs. Hamilton passed away, leaving her three children to manage the home. The house stood vacant for two years. The Hamilton sons were finally able to sell the home to Mr. & Mrs. Selleck in 2010.

**109 EAST MAPLE** - (S.W. corner of Elk and Maple) - ca. 1940. English Cottage Revival. 1 1/2-story brick veneer. Built for Billy and Rose Foster, the house is presently owned by Todd and Jill Storey.

**405 SOUTH ELK** - ca. 1860's. Two-story frame. Deed records have been traced back to 1867 with indications that the house probably was built before that date. The three front wall dormers at the roofline were built around the turn of the 20th century and the house was divided into apartments for many years. Mary Cunningham owned the house from 1945-1978. The current owner, Lugenia Storey, converted it back to a single-family residence.

**The East Side ~ Elk**

**304 SOUTH ELK** - McKinney-Pitts House - ca. 1820-25. Federal with Victorian era changes. Two-story brick. One of the oldest structures in Fayetteville. The brick was made from clay dug and fired on the property. The house was built by Dr. Charles McKinney (1788-1864), a surgeon in the War of 1812 and the Creek Uprising. Dr. McKinney's original office was on the site of the adjacent building which was built ca. 1956. According to one of Dr. McKinney's granddaughters, the house had the first indoor bathroom in Fayetteville.

**310 SOUTH ELK** - McKinney-Williams-Pitts House - ca. 1830. Greek Revival with Victorian era remodeling. Two-story brick. Dr. Charles McKinney built this house as a wedding gift for one of his daughters. When the house was built, McKinney planted a tree seedling that had been imported from England by a preacher. That sprig, a rare copper beech, grew into a tree which still stands at the north front corner of the house. In later years the house was the longtime residence of Abednego "Beddie" Williams and family of Williams Lumber Company. The property is now the home of Rudy Pitts and The Hare's.

**400 SOUTH ELK** - McDonald-Bolner House - ca. 1854. Gothic Revival, listed on National Historic Register. Two-story brick, with full raised basement. The 1854 house is an outstanding example of Vernacular Gothic Revival architecture influenced by Andrew Jackson Downing. Robert McDonald and his new bride, Martha Cordelia, built this house starting in 1852 and finishing in 1854. They were given the land on which the house was built as a wedding present from Martha's father, Dr. R.R. McKinney. Mr. McDonald owned a local lumber mill and only the finest woods and milling he could find were used in this house. During the Civil War, it is documented that General Wm. Sherman stopped in Fayetteville and slept in the lower level bedroom. The house was used as a hospital by Union and Confederate forces during the war. The R. A. Pitts family lived there from 1918 until 1952. In 1952, the Elk's Club purchased the house for their meeting place. Mr. Thomas Bolner and his wife, Dr. Anne Bolner bought the house in 1955 and undertook a very major renovation lasting for many years. In 2006, John Fraser, IV and William O. Lawter purchased the home and have restored the grounds, the exterior and interior of the home.

*NORTH ELK AVENUE*

**The West Side ~ Elk**

**200 NORTH ELK** - First United Methodist Church (1892-93). An earlier Methodist Church building was located on the site of the old Moores property at the corner of N. Main Avenue and E. Edison Street. Shortly after two new spires had been completed on the earlier building, a tornado on March 27, 1890 nearly destroyed the church. By May 8 of that year, at the urging of several members, the official church board had purchased a new lot on N. Elk Ave. By 1893 a new brick church had been completed there. In 1915 the Women's Missionary Society purchased a pipe organ, the first of its kind in Fayetteville, and still in use today. The church building was condemned in the early 1920's due to structural problems, and extensive repairs had to be made. In 1946 the stone-like permastone veneer was placed on the brick building's exterior. The church was forced to undergo repair again after it was damaged by the 1952 tornado. In 1953 the church bought the Moores property on N. Main, the same location where the earlier church had been. The Moores building served as the Sunday School for many years. Gradually, new buildings were constructed on the church grounds: a fellowship hall, classrooms and offices. The most recent addition, facing N. Main Avenue, was opened in 2005.

**121 North Elk** - First Baptist Church (1949-50) - The Baptist Church in the Lincoln County village of Mulberry indicate that their congregation was instrumental in the successful Fayetteville organization which was completed in 1881. The first church building, located at 204 E. Washington, was destroyed by a tornado on March 27, 1890. By the end of the next year, a new building was completed on the same site and served the congregation until 1950. The cornerstone for this building has been relocated to the northeast corner of the present church grounds, beneath the church sign. The East Washington Street building, again damaged by a tornado in 1952, is the former home of the Rotary Club. The present church building on North Elk was erected in 1949-50. In 1962-63 an education and office building was built across the street and was named in honor of Bro. D. D. Smothers, who pastored the church longer than any other pastor in its history. The most recent addition, facing North Main Avenue, was built in 2005.

**106 East Washington** - St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church (1952) - When the tornado of 1890 demolished so many churches in Fayetteville, the St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church was left untouched. Ironically, it was the only church carrying tornado insurance! Following the destruction of the February 29, 1952 tornado, again churches were destroyed or damaged, including St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church. Unfortunately, it was then among those churches without tornado insurance! Found in the rubble of the elegant stone and wood edifice of the 1883 church was a small ledger in which much history was recorded, such as: the church was dedicated on St. Mary Magdalene Day, July 22, 1884; it became a parish in 1890 but lost that status during World War I. After the 1952 tornado, with only about 33 active members, the church was rebuilt in almost the same spot. However, it was relocated 90 degrees to the south, facing Washington Street, with Elk Avenue to the east. Culver Dozier, a former altar boy, was the architect in 1952. After almost 90 years as a mission, St. Mary Magdalene has become a parish again with nearly 60 families.

#### The East Side ~ Elk

**301 North Elk** - (northeast corner of N. Elk and E. Washington) - Hugh Bright Douglas-Don Wyatt House 1894-95. Queen Anne with Steamboat Gothic style two-tier wrap-around porches. 2 1/2 story frame, listed on the National Historic Register. The House contains the owner's antique shop on the first floor and residence on the second floor. Built as a townhouse for Hugh Bright Douglas, who owned a 1450 acre farm 3 miles east of Fayetteville, the house was designed by the Nashville architectural firm of Rickman and Bills and built by a local builder named Ray. The hardwoods used in the house were cut from Mr. Douglas' farm, and all the original woodwork remains. He was the grandson of James Bright and son of William Byrd Douglas. During the Civil War Hugh Bright Douglas served under Generals Nathan Bedford Forrest and Joe Wheller. After the war, he married Margaret Terrett of Nashville. Their son, Byrd, inherited the house after his mother's death. His daughter, Sarah Byrd Douglas Posey, inherited the house after her father's death in 1958. Mr. Don Wyatt, the current owner, purchased the property from Mrs. Posey in 1961.

#### *EAST WASHINGTON STREET*

#### The North Side ~ Washington

**202 East Washington** - ca. 1910. Bungalow. 1 1/2 story brick veneer. Constructed as a residence, the building now serves as a law office for owner, Don Wyatt. When Wyatt remodeled the house for office use in 1964-65, he enclosed the wide porch and covered the front and side elevations with brick veneer. It is also occupied by Randy Cunningham with State Farm Insurance.

**204 East Washington** - Kim's School of Dance - 1891. Gothic Revival. 1 1/2 story brick building served as the Baptist Church from 1891 until 1950. The Baptist Church had been organized during 1879-81, and the first church building, which was on this site, was destroyed by a tornado on March 27, 1890. Another tornado in 1952 destroyed a tall steeple that had been located at the front left corner of the building. The building housed the Church of the Nazarene for a number of years before becoming headquarters for the Rotary Club. In 1996, the Rotary Club headquarters relocated and the building was sold to Don Wyatt.

**206 East Washington** - ca. 1900. Late Victorian era. One-story brick with segmental-arched windows. The original front porch spanning the width of the facade was destroyed in the 1890 tornado and has been changed. The home, built by Hugh Cummins for Mr. Drennon, is owned by Gayle Chumbley. The vacant lot to the east was the site of a home that was destroyed by a gas explosion caused by the tornado of 1952.

**304 East Washington** - ca. 1900. Late Victorian era. Two-story frame house. The original ornate front porch, destroyed by the 1890 tornado, has been changed and the house now contains apartments. Early in the 20th this was the home of Henry K. Holman, a prominent businessman.

**306 East Washington** - ca. 1950. 1 1/2-story brick house.

**308 East Washington** - ca. 1900. Post-Victorian era. One-story frame house with two-story addition in rear. This house now contains apartments. The east boundary of this lot was the original eastern boundary of Fayetteville as shown on the 1810 town plat.

**312 East Washington** - Carter-Green-Campbell House - 1892. Dutch Colonial Revival. 1 1/2-story frame with shingles and stone. Built by Judge N. P. Carter, the home is now owned by Mrs. Gordon Campbell. Predating the present house are an earlier brick kitchen/servant house, which is now used as an apartment, and a brick patio constructed from brick that was probably made on site.

**400 East Washington** - 1905. Post-Victorian era. Two-story frame house with aluminum siding. This home was built for Mr. Jim Ralston by Mr. Hugh Cummins. Wood for framing the house was cut from red oak trees on the Ralston family farm west of town. Ella Mae Stewart was the next owner of the home. In 1959, the Ed Berger family bought it and converted it from apartments back to a single-family residence. A small lot directly west of the Berger home, and now part of their yard, was the site of the Carter Rutledge home, now demolished. Mr. Berger has passed away and the new owners are Mr. & Mrs. Lynn Moore.

**404 East Washington** - Lamb-Rice-Warren House - 1888. Late Victorian era. Two-story brick house. This "antebellum" type home was built by W. B. Douthit. William B. Lamb was one of the various owners. Lamb was an attorney for the railroad and brother of attorney Diemer Lamb, Sr. Later owners were Mr. & Mrs. Holden (Ty) Rice. Mrs. Rice ran a gift shop on the south side of the square for several years. Their daughter, Adnia Rice, who played in Broadway's "Music Man" among many other productions, was also a renowned drama teacher at Lincoln County High School. Currently owned by the estate of the late Mr. & Mrs. James L. Warren.

**408 East Washington** - Bright-Wright-Reese House - ca. 1858. Italianate. Two-story brick house, listed on the National Historic Register. Built between 1850 and 1858 by James R. Bright, the house is constructed of handmade brick, as are the front porch and steps, sidewalks, terraces and garden walls. Subsequent owners were W. N. Wright, Hiram Higgins, C. B. Pearson, Harriet Shedden, Mary Medearis, Ernest Reese, Jr., and Jane M. Reese. The Reese family sold the home in 1996 to Mr. and Mrs. David Payne.

#### The South Side ~ Washington

**209 East Washington** - Washington Street Church of Christ - 1890 - 1951. Around 1835, Dr. John McKinney and his family, along with John Goodrich and his wife, moved to Fayetteville and began establishing a congregation of primitive Christians. Initially, they met in the home of John Goodrich to worship. When the war started, the congregation was scattered. In 1864, John T. Medearis and family moved to Fayetteville and the church was revived. The church was about 45 years old before it possessed a meeting house of its own. During these years, they met in private residences, the public school building and the Courthouse. In 1879, the church erected a handsome brick house. This church building was completely destroyed by a cyclone in 1890 and the congregation again met at the Courthouse. Another building was soon erected, as well as an addition built onto the auditorium. On February 29, 1952 around 5:00 pm a tornado struck Fayetteville damaging the auditorium so badly that it had to be torn down. The present auditorium was then erected. The congregation met at the Elks Building while the new auditorium was under construction. In 1958, the adjoining Landess property was purchased and used for additional Bible classrooms. In 1965, a new Bible Study annex was built on this property which included classrooms and office space.

**303 East Washington** - ca. 1900. Post Victorian era. One story frame house. Owned by Edna Bedwell.

**305 East Washington** - ca. 1890. Late Victorian era. Two-story frame house. This home, at one time was the Church of Christ parsonage, and was also the home of the Womack family for many years.

**307 East Washington** - ca. 1880. Italianate with vernacular Gothic trim. One-story frame house with rounded-arch windows. This was the longtime home of the Joe Faison family. The east boundary of this lot was the original eastern boundary of Fayetteville as shown on the 1810 town plat.

**311 East Washington** - ca. 1880. Italianate with Gothic and Eastlake style trim. Two-story frame house with rounded-arch windows. Built by Judge N. P. Carter, the house is currently owned by Mr. & Mrs. Clyde H. Hayner, Sr.

**313 East Washington** - ca. 1890. Late Victorian era. One-story brick house with segmental-arched windows. This house was built by Capt. Hagey who worked for the railroad. Carl Higgins, a previous owner, sold the home to G. A. Groce who has owned it for over 30 years.

**401 East Washington** - ca. 1900. Bungalow. 1 1/2-story brick house. This house, built by Mrs. Annie Davis, is owned by the Kerbo family.

**403 East Washington** - ca. 1900 Colonial Revival. 1 1/2-story frame house. Built by timber and planing mill operator Joe R. Hiller, this house was formerly the long-time home of the Parsons family, and is now owned by Benny Edwards. (See 405 East Washington)

**405 East Washington** - 1930. Colonial Revival. Two story frame house which has been enlarged from 1 1/2-stories. This house was built by Joe R. Hiller in the same year he built it neighbor, 403 East Washington. He had purchased a circa 1895 house on a large lot on East Washington, moved the older house to an adjacent lot facing Mulberry Avenue ( the house now at 210 Mulberry ), and built two houses on the remaining lot. Rufus and Margaret Hereford are the current owners of the home.

#### *EAST COLLEGE STREET*

**315 East College** - ca. 1850. Italianate. 2-story brick. The McGuire family acquired the house in 1870 and lived there for many years. It was later the longtime location of the Lamb apartments. The house is now owned by Bank of Lincoln County.

**316 East College** - ca. 1930. Plantation. 2-story frame. This house was built by Dr. McWilliams and was later purchased in 1993 by Mr. and Mrs. Ray Simmons. The current owners are Beverly and Dwight Lowdermilk.

**319 East College** - ca. 1905. Post Victorian era. 2-story frame. Built by Robert Mason, the house is located on a lot that was originally part of the McGuire-Lamb property next door. The house is owned by Suzanne Wagar.

#### *MULBERRY AVENUE*

#### **The East Side ~ Mulberry**

**101 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1854. First Presbyterian Church was organized in 1812 as “The Church of Fayetteville” and originally met in the log courthouse. In 1832, a building for the “Fayetteville Presbyterian Church was erected on the present site. Nineteen years later (1851), this building was destroyed by a cyclone. The old part of the present building was erected from bricks burned on the spot and dedicated in 1854. Oral tradition is unanimous in saying that the Union Army used the upstairs of the building for a hospital and the basement as a stable, during the Federal occupation of Fayetteville. It was May 3, 1908 that the Session met and officially changed the name to “First Presbyterian Church of Fayetteville, Tennessee”. In 1917, the front of the Church was extended twelve feet and the original two columns replaced by four column. An educational wing with kitchen and fellowship hall was added in 1967. In 2004 a Family Life Center was added with a multi-purpose fellowship hall, library, kitchen parlor and additional classroom wing. The newest addition was opened in 2005.

**108 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1930. Originally constructed as a service station and is known as the home of the first automated car wash in Fayetteville. The commercial building is owned by Jay Pilzer and Julie Terrell.

**201 Mulberry Avenue** - Davis Auto & Antiques was originally a filling station owned by Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Posey, who opened it in the 1930s. It later became Halcomb and Posey Buick dealership in the 40s, and became Roy Warren Buick dealership in the 60s. Johnny and Pat Davis opened an auto repair shop in the 1970s. Johnny now restores classic and antique cars. Pat opened the antique shop in 1985.

**207 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1880. Mr. and Mrs. John B. Thomison acquired the property in 1900. The Thomisons’ are the grandparents of Mr. Jack Thomison (624 Mulberry), Mr. Hubert Holman (628 Mulberry), and Mr. Burke Holman, Jr. (deceased), and Evalyn Holman Frierson (211 Mulberry).

**211 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1848. Built by Mr. Cornelium Allen, the original style of this house is unknown. It was purchased by Mr. Burke Holman and in 1904 he remodeled the front porch. The entire house was then remodeled in the 1930s into its current Greek Revival appearance by the Holmans. Current Owners: Justin & Aimee Byrd

**303 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1854. This Greek Revival home was built by Reverend Matthew Martin Marshall, minister of the First Presbyterian Church during the Civil War. The smokehouse to the rear of the main house was constructed out of the same hand-fired brick as the church. A summer outside kitchen still exists in the basement dated from the original 1854 building. The house was remodeled in 1951 by Mrs. Johnson who had an antique shop there for many years. The current owners are Nancy Hereford Ashby and the Estate of Mr. Samuel Ashby, Jr., who was the owner of Dale-Rees Hardware, located on the east side of the public square until the 1980s.

**307 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1909. This house was originally built by Mr. & Mrs. W. G. Cowan. Their children, Dolly, Betsy, W. G. Cowan, Jr., and Martha all grew up here. Mrs. Martha Cowan Patrick's grandfather was Dr. Cal McGuire, senior surgeon of First Army of Northern Virginia - CSA, and personal physician of General Robert E. Lee. Martha was born in the house in 1913 and lived there until her death in 2008. In the spring of 2010, Dr. Linda M. Gentle of Huntsville, Alabama purchased this property. She undertook extensive restorations of this gracious, historic house and development of the garden.. The works were completed by local contractors.

**311 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1805. Built by the Whitakers, this Colonial Revival house originally had two porches, one facing Mulberry and one facing Green Street. During the 1890s it was a school for girls. It was remodeled in the mid 1920s by owner Mr. & Mrs. Robert Fulton. Mrs. Fulton was a drama teacher (known at the time as "expression and physical culture"). It is said that she "had one extravaganza of a play (a Japanese one) and everybody in Fayetteville (young ladies) all had a red and black kimono and a wax paper umbrella for the children to sport . . ." Current owners of the house are M. G. & B. R. Schrimsher.

**401 Mulberry Avenue** - ca 1920. In 1920 a Victorian style home once stood on this corner lot owned by Mr. W.J. Landess and wife M.B. Landess. They sold their home in 1922 to the Thomison and Holman families and it remained in their family until 1990. The home had been damaged by the 1952 tornado that went down Mulberry Avenue and it was eventually torn down in the mid 60's. The lot stood empty until 2012 when the current owners designed and built this craftsman bungalow style home to resemble the same style and character of homes on Historical Mulberry Avenue. The home is presently owned by Ms. Scott and Ms. Neely.

**405 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1920. Mrs. Sorrells had this Bungalow style house built. She is the grandmother of W. Michael McCown, our recent District Attorney.

**409 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1880. Originally built in 1863 as a one-room carriage house, this Italianate style house was owned by Mr. & Mrs. Silvertooth who also owned the Crystal Stream Laundry at the city limits. Later owners included Mr. & Mrs. Frank B. Kelso, grandparents of Admiral Frank B. Kelso. The crooked front doors that were installed in 1883 were left intact (and crooked) when the home was restored in 2000.

**Vacant Lot** - Mr. & Mrs. Frank B. Kelso sold the large two-story house on this lot to Mr. & Mrs. Ernest McGehee. A 1952 tornado which ripped down Mulberry Avenue demolished the house, killing Mrs. McGehee.

**415 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1900. Built by a Mr. Heymann who at one time was the owner of a jewelry store on the northeast corner of the public square. Heymann sold the house to Mr. & Mrs. Tom Strong and, after several owners, the house was bought by Mr. Robert Stevens in 1956. Stevens wife, Lera Strong Stevens, is the daughter of former owners. Flo Carter, owner of Cahoots Restaurant and niece of Mrs. Lera, is the current resident.

**501 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1950. This house was completed in late 1952 and occupied by Mr. Don Steuart, an executive with the Borden Company, and his wife from 1953 until 1960 when it was sold to Mr. & Mrs. Roy Harris.

**505 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1910. This bungalow style house was owned at one time by Mr. & Mrs. Walter Bunn. Mr. Bunn was manager of Fayetteville's electric power plant and system before TVA. Another former owner, Mr. Lavoy Raby, was Lincoln County's Register of Deeds for many years.

**509 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1930. Built by Hugh Joseph Cummins for Mr. & Mrs. James D. McKinney, Jr. Mr. McKinney and his father owned McKinney's Drug Store on the northeast corner of the public square. Years later the home was sold to Mrs. Alonzo Simmons. In 2001, Cummins great-grandson, William Joseph Cummins III, made the most recent renovations for the third and current owner.

**513 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1860. This Italianate house was built by William Bright, son of James Bright. Among the various owners were the Redd family, and Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Eakin. Mr. Eakin was the manager of the Fayetteville Milling Company on the corner of Norris Street and Front Street. Mr. & Mrs. Blake Copple are the current owners.

**601 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1872. One of the two Queen Anne style homes on this street. The first house on this site burned the night before the Henry Gillespie family was to move in their new home. The present house was then constructed. The home remains in the family of Beverly and Sarah Buchanan Young. Mrs. Young's father, Robert F. Buchanan, was owner of "*The Lincoln County News*" (now the *Elk Valley Times*.) The home was recently renovated by the Young's daughter, Kate Young.

**605 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1910. This Bungalow style house was built by Mr. & Mrs. Collier Rees. They moved away for several years and during this time Mr. & Mrs. Diemer Lamb and family (504 Mulberry) lived here. Mr. Rees, along with his father and brother owned a dry goods store, R. A. Rees and Sons. The current owner is Mrs. J. A. Leach.

**609 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1895. Known as the "Ladd House", this two-story Colonial Revival structure was built by Mr. & Mrs. W. H. Ladd. Mr. & Mrs. John Groce were the next owners. Mr. & Mrs. Francis Tucker completely restored the interior as well as the charming backyard playhouse. Current owners are Mr. & Mrs. Michael Everett Stewart.

**613 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1900. In 1975 Mrs. Laurine B. Spray and the late William C. Spray purchased the home from the Estate of Arthur Carroll. This uniquely shaped two-story home was once owned by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Bagley and Mr. & Mrs. William Young (Mrs. Young was the sister of Mrs. Bagley).

**617 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1895. This house built by Mr. & Mrs. Cole Feeney. Mr. Feeney was a cashier at First National Bank. Later, the Feeney's next door neighbors, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Carroll, purchased the house. The former owners, Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Bingham, did extensive restoration to the interior of the house to bring the structure back to its original shape after it had been made into apartments. Once owned by Ms Marie B. Lott. Current owners, Powell and Debbie Looman, purchased the home in 2004.

#### The West Side ~ Mulberry

**200 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1895. This house was first used as the manse for First Presbyterian Church. It is currently owned by Mrs. Charles Harmening.

**206 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1920. Formerly owned by the family of Mrs. W. B. Posey, the mother of Mrs. Charles Harmening (200 Mulberry). The structure is a two-story Colonial Revival style home. Previous owners, Mr. & Mrs. Robert H. Terry, owned a dry goods store on the west side of the town square.

**210 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1895. Formerly known as "The Robertson House", this structure was originally located on Washington Street. Mr. J. R. Hiller, a lumber and planning mill operator purchased the house and moved it to its present site. Presently owned by Richard and Yvonne Mayhall

**304 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1911. This house was originally built by Mr. & Mrs. Henry Bonner. Mr. Bonner was a passenger train engineer for the Nashville, Chattanooga, and St. Louis Railway. Some of the early occupants were the C.S. Caughran family, and Mr. & Mrs. Robert F. Buchanan.

**310 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1905. This Colonial Revival house was built by Mr. & Mrs. Andy Wright. Mr. Wright owned Wright's dry goods store on the northeast corner of the public square. Subsequent owners include Mr. & Mrs. Hiram Higgins, Mr. & Mrs. Jack Johnson. The present owners, Mr. & Mrs. William F. Thomas.

**400 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1900. Mr. & Mrs. W. D. Medearis were early owners of this Colonial Revival home. Mr. Medearis owned and operated a tannery on a site adjacent to the small stream which became known as Tanyard Branch. He later obtained the first Coca-Cola franchise in Fayetteville, the only privately owned Coca-Cola Bottling plant outside the Candler family. He was also an early manager for Bell Telephone Company in Fayetteville. Mrs. Jane Holland was the granddaughter of Mr. & Mrs. Medearis. The current owner, Sue Holland, is the fourth generation to live in this home.

**408 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1850 & 1852. This home is currently owned by Mrs. John V. Matthews. Mr. Matthews' grandparents, Mr. & Mrs. N. O. Wallace, were earlier owners of the house and Mr. Wallace was also one of the early owners and operators of "*The Fayetteville Observer*" (now the *Elk Valley Times*). The house was demolished by the tornado of 1952 and the present structure was rebuilt from the remains of the original house.

**504 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1843. This house was built by Colonel Tillford Gordon who came here from Philadelphia. He later built the house at 606 Mulberry. The house was bought in 1858 by J. B. Lamb and has descended in the Lamb family. Mrs. Diemer Lamb, Sr. (Lila Motlow), completely restored the house in 1946. Diemer Lamb, Sr. was a prominent Fayetteville attorney, and served as Attorney General for the 7th Judicial Circuit from 1918 to 1950. The home remains in the Lamb family.

**606 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1850 & 1925. This Georgian Revival house was originally built in 1850 by Colonel Tillford Gordon who first built the Lamb house (504 Mulberry). Legend has it that one day a gypsy fortune teller told Mrs. Gordon that her husband was going to sell the house that they were living in. That night when he came in, he put the money he had gotten for it in her lap. Apparently, the gypsy was correct. He then built this house for his wife on a much smaller scale per her request. Later a Mr. Barnett came here from Virginia and married one of the Gordon daughters and they lived in the house. Mr. Barnett's father was Union sympathizer and the house was used either as a hospital or officer's quarters during the Civil War. The Barnett's daughter married a Dr. Buckner and they also lived here. Mr. & Mrs. Roy Rees purchased the house from the Buckners and did extensive remodeling and fixed the house to its current appearance. The home was once owned by Mr and Mrs William R. Carter.

**616 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1850 & 1930. This Georgian Revival home was originally built by Judge James Chilcoat, the first Lincoln County Judge. Judge Chilcoat was killed at Mulberry, Tennessee, during the Civil War by the Yankees. The original frame house was remodeled by adding a stone veneer to the exterior by Dr. T. A. Patrick Sr. Mrs. Selina Moore Holman, wife of a previous owner, Dr. Thomas Holman, was very active in the Women's Christian Temperance Union and served as the organization's president for several years. Her portrait hangs in the State capitol. The home has recently been renovated by the new owners, Mr. & Mrs. James R. West.

**624 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1865 & 1890. built circa 1865 by Robert E. Lee Bright, the original house was a two-story cabin with one large room on each floor. A new house was eventually built in front of the original one and the two were later joined (1890), forming the house as it is today. Mr. & Mrs. W. C. Thomison purchased the house in 1910 from Judge Joseph Higgins and wife. Judge Higgins was the grandfather of our former City Attorney, Thomas O. Bagley. Upon Mr. W. C. Thomison's death, the house was inherited by Mr. & Mrs. Jack Thomison. Mr. Thomison was born in the upstairs bedroom. Mrs. Thomison died in 2002 and the house passed down to Mr. & Mrs. William C. Thomison, II.

**628 Mulberry Avenue** - ca. 1900. Mr. James L. Newsom acquired this land in August of 1899 from Mr. George Sutton. Soon after, Mr. Newsom constructed this Queen Anne style Victorian home complete with slate shingles and curved glass windows in the turret. The original hitching posts still stand at the Porte-cochere. Mr. Newsom was a traveling salesman and later operated a dry goods store on the east side of the square. Mr. Newsom died of typhoid fever at a young age and the house was inherited by Cullen B. Ervin (son of Mrs. Newsom by her second husband). Mr. & Mrs. Hubert Holman purchased the home in 1936 and it remained with his family until 2001. The home was renovated in 2002 by the new owners, Dr. & Mrs. Jerry G. McKinney.

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