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National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

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1. Name of Property

Historic Name: Noricks Chapel School

Other Name/Site Number: ST0303

2. Location

Street & Number: County Road 28, Misenheimer Road

Not for Publication: N/A

City/Town: Mountain View

Vicinity: X

State: AR County: Stone

Code: AR137 Zip Code: 72560

3. Classification

Ownership of Property: Public-Local

Category of Property: Building

Number of Resources within Property:

Contributing

Noncontributing

2

Buildings

Sites

Structures

2

0

Objects

Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: N/A

Name of related multiple property listing: History and Architectural Heritage of Stone County

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4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination _____ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets _____ does not meet the National Register Criteria.

Clayton A. Stater
Signature of certifying official

4-17-98
Date

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property _____ meets _____ does not meet the National Register criteria.

Signature of commenting or other official

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

_____ entered in the National Register _____

_____ determined eligible for the National Register _____

_____ determined not eligible for the National Register _____

_____ removed from the National Register _____

_____ other (explain): _____

Signature of Keeper Date
Of action

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6. Function or Use

Historic: Education
Religion

Sub: School
Religious facility

Current : Social

Sub: Meeting Hall

7. Description

Architectural Classification:
Plain/Traditional

Materials: foundation Stone roof Metal
walls Weatherboard other _____

Describe present and historic physical appearance:

Summary

Constructed c. 1907, Noricks Chapel School is a Plain Traditional-style, one-room frame building. The school is located on County Road 28 in the Noricks Chapel Community near Mountain View. Its one-story rectangular plan rests on a continuous stone foundation and it is covered by a corrugated-metal gable roof. The building is unchanged except for the removal of the belfry, replacement of doors, addition of electricity and new floor covering. Through the efforts of local community members, the structure has been stabilized; however, it is in need of maintenance to the exterior and interior.

Elaboration

Noricks Chapel School is a Plain Traditional one-room frame building on a fieldstone foundation that is covered with a corrugated-metal gable roof. The building is north of County Road 28 in the rural community of Noricks Chapel in the Mountain View vicinity. An active cemetery, which is not included in the nomination, is located to the northeast of the school. The remains of a wood outhouse lie to the north. This is not the original location as the facility was moved several times. Historically, there were two outhouses, one for boys and one for girls.

The front, or eastern, elevation features two symmetrical entry doors. The paneled southern door is historic and is accessed by three concrete steps. The northern door has been replaced with a modern wood door. Due to the slope of the land there are only two concrete steps to this entrance.

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The northern and southern facades are fenestrated with four double-hung, four-over-four wood windows. Wire shields have been placed over the windows to prevent vandalism. The rear, or western, elevation contains no windows or doors.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: Local

Applicable National Register Criteria: C

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions): A

Areas of Significance: Architecture

Period(s) of Significance: c. 1907

Significant Dates: c.1907

Significant Person(s): N/A

Cultural Affiliation: N/A

Architect/Builder: Unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and period of significance noted above:

Summary

Noricks Chapel School is being nominated as an amendment to the History and architectural Resources of Stone County multiple property nomination under Criterion C with local significance as the best example of a Plain Traditional, one-room school building in the Mountain View vicinity of Stone County.

Historical Background

The community of Noricks Chapel, named for settler James Noricks, lies southeast of Mountain View in Stone County. Through the first decades of the

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nineteenth century present-day Stone County was essentially uninhabited until the area was designated a Cherokee Reservation from 1817 to 1828. Settlement outside the Indian reservation did not begin until the early 1830s.

Early passage to the region was largely on the White River, but the mountainous topography impeded travel through the interior. Thus migration, major transportation and commercial development were slow to ensue. In 1873, Independence, Izard, Searcy and Van Buren Counties all contributed townships toward the formation of Stone County which provided the impetus for population and economic growth.

Initial settlement was along the bottom lands of the waterways and land of the plateaus and valleys by agrarian families. Scotch-Irish from Tennessee and other areas of Arkansas made up the bulk of pioneers to the county, but there was also an influx of farmers from Alabama, Georgia and North Carolina. Seclusion and predominance of a homogeneous group contributed to a close-knit atmosphere that persisted into the twentieth century.

Mr. & Mrs. William White deeded the property for Noricks Chapel School to the director of school district number 40 in 1907. Its purpose was primarily to hold classes for local children but in time it came to be reflective of the tradition of assembling one structure to house both religious and educational activities in rural communities. In its religious capacity, it was used predominately for Pentecostal denominations but the Church of Christ has also utilized the building. Classes were held in Noricks school until 1947. Since that time, the building has been used occasionally for memorial services and community events.

Good examples of the traditional one-room church/school of rural areas are becoming scarce. Noricks Chapel School is a relatively intact example of this vernacular architecture that descended from rectangular log structures. For this reason, it is being nominated as an amendment to the History and Architectural Resources of Stone County multiple property nomination under Criterion C with local significance as the best surviving example of a one-room Plain Traditional school building in this area of Stone County.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Interview with and information submitted by Rovilla Fulks, March, 1997.

"Historic Resources of Stone County." Section 9.

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey #
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record #

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Primary Location of Additional Data: _____

- State historic preservation office
- Other state agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other -- Specify Repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property: Less than one (1)

UTM References: Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing

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C	_____	_____	_____	D	_____	_____	_____

Verbal Boundary Description:

Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the North edge of Co. Road 28 and a line formed by yet 20 feet from, the Eastern elevation of that school, then proceed North along said line to its intersection with a line formed by, yet 5 feet from, the North elevation of the outhouse, then proceed West along said line to the intersection with a line formed by, yet 15 feet from, the West elevation of the school then proceed South along said line to the intersection with the North edge of Co. Road 28, then proceed East along the edge of the road to the point of beginning.

Boundary Justification:

This boundary includes the historic school, outhouse, and most of the property historically associated with this resource.

11. Form Prepared By

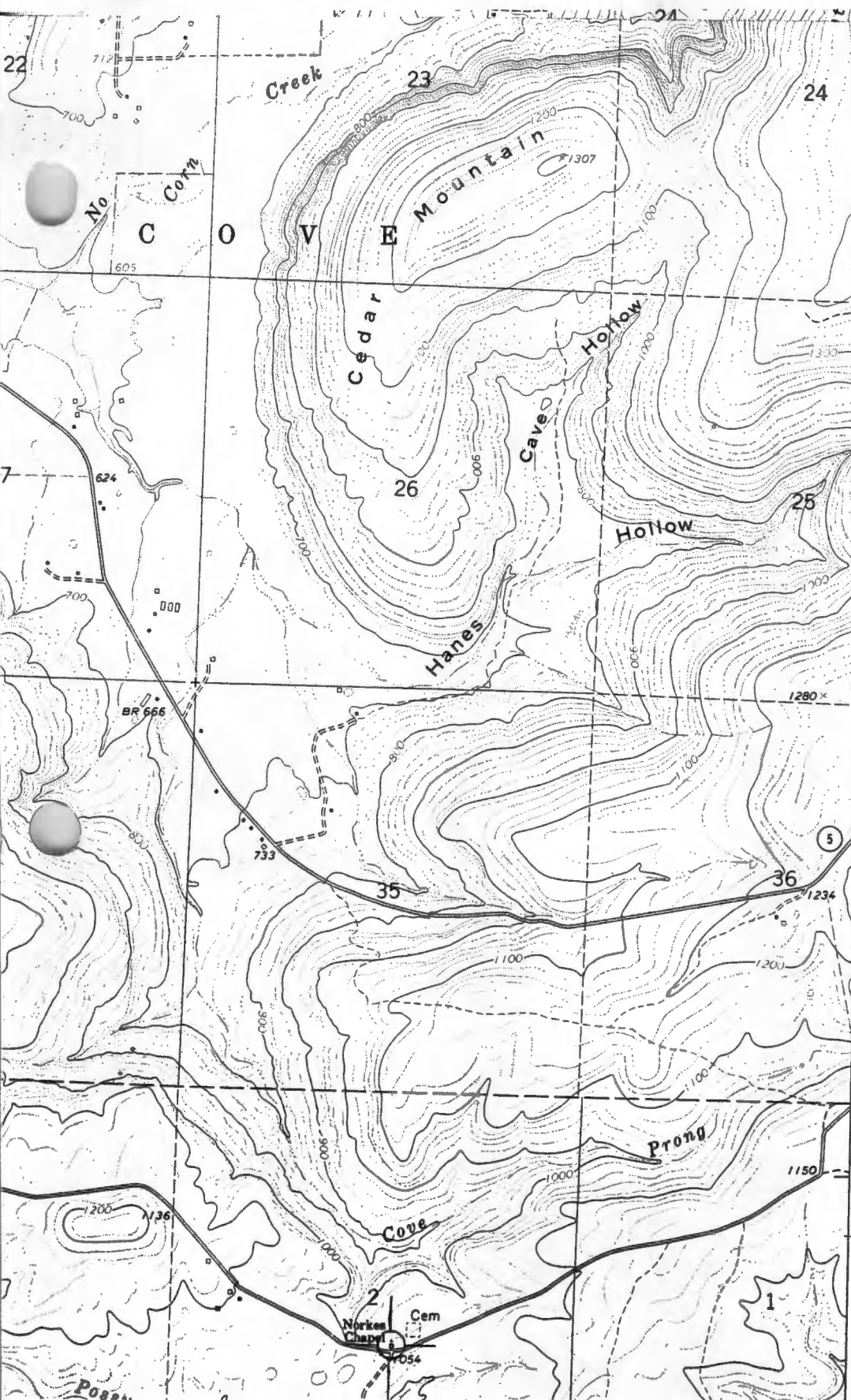
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State: AR ZIP: 72201



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 Mountain View, Va.
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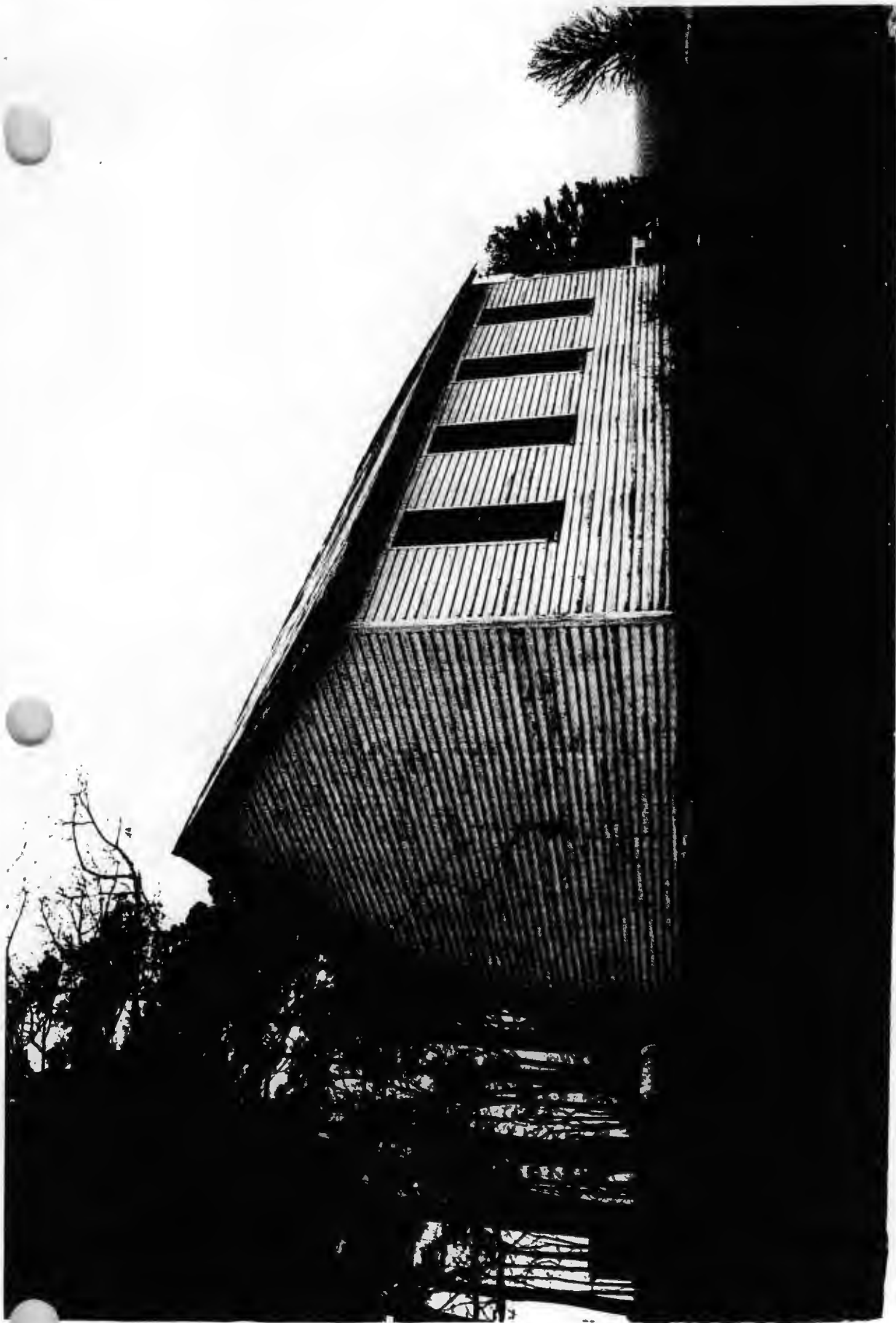
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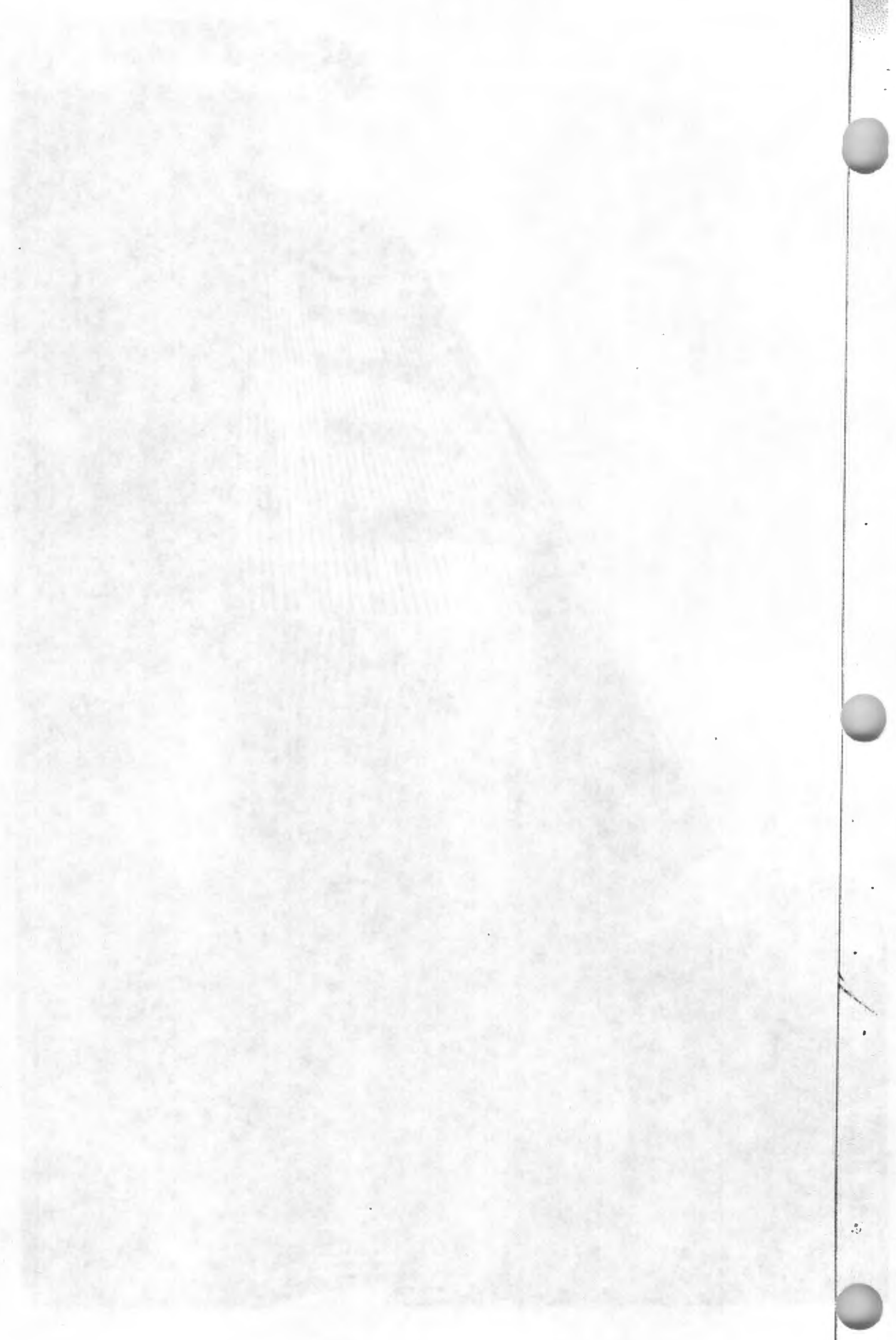
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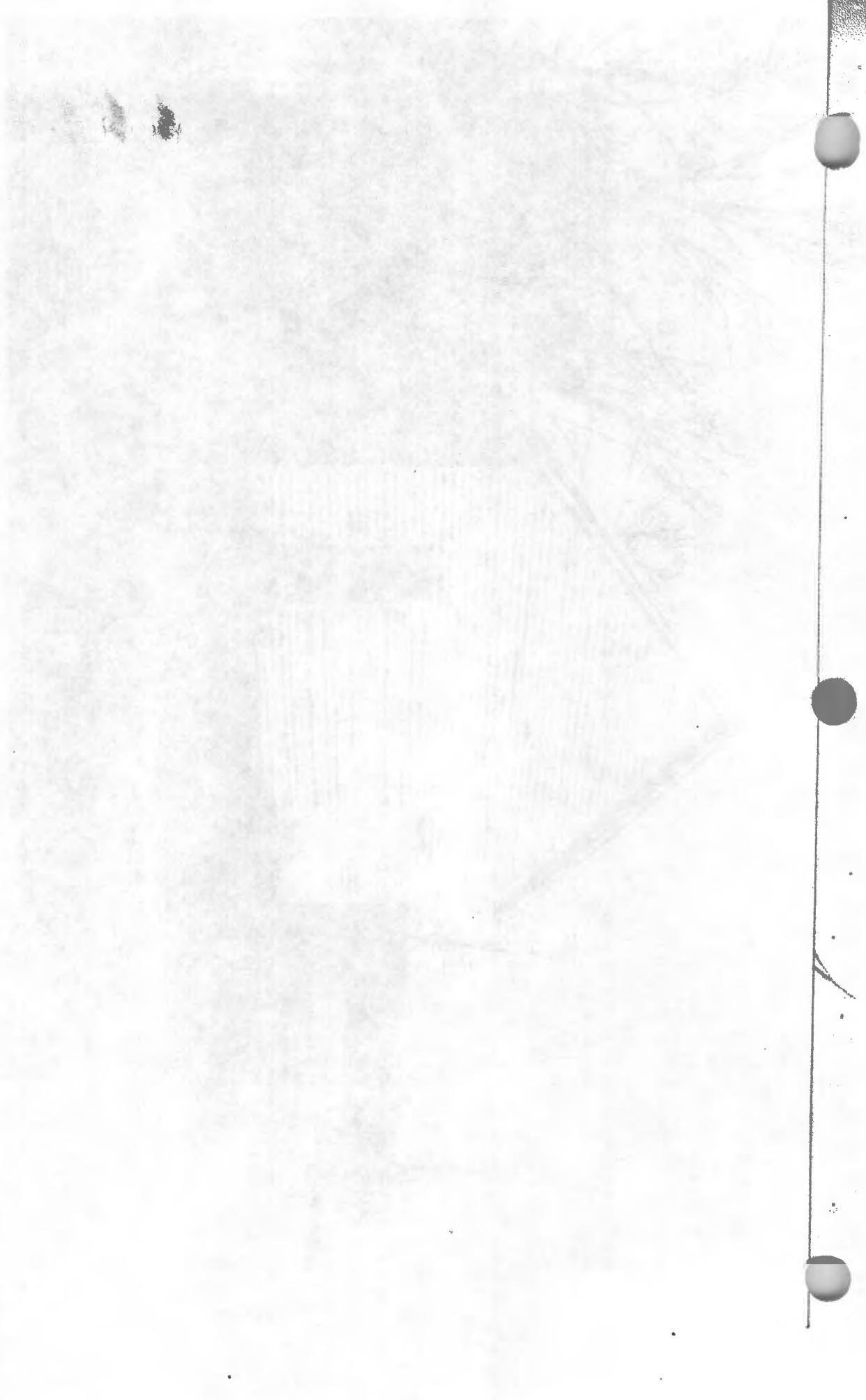


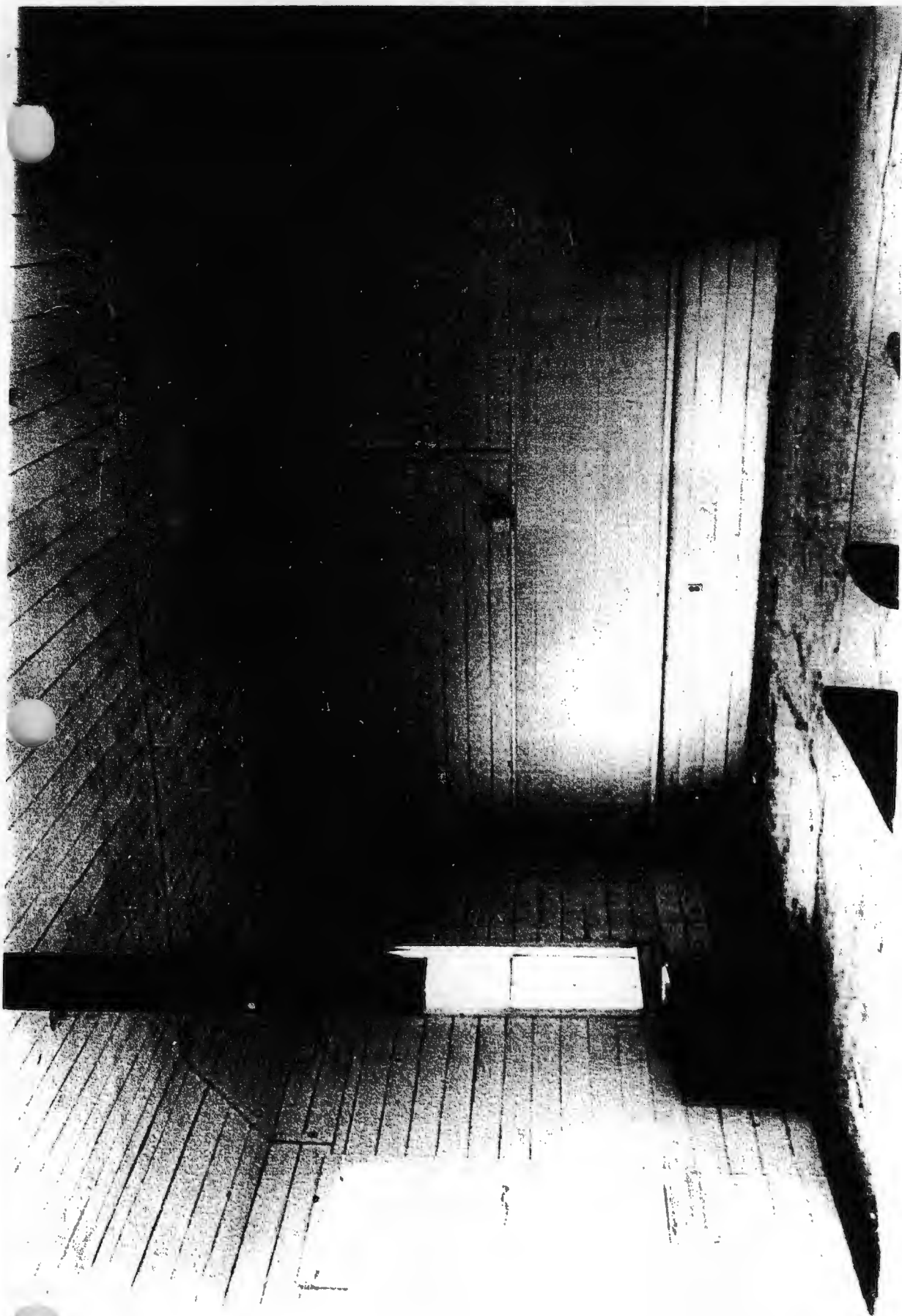
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WICKLIKS CHAPEL SCHOOL
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VIEW OF CLASSROOM



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