

104 Railroad Avenue (House)
Alderson
Monroe County
West Virginia

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Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates:
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Present Owner: Town of Alderson

Present Occupant: None

Present Use: Vacant Residence

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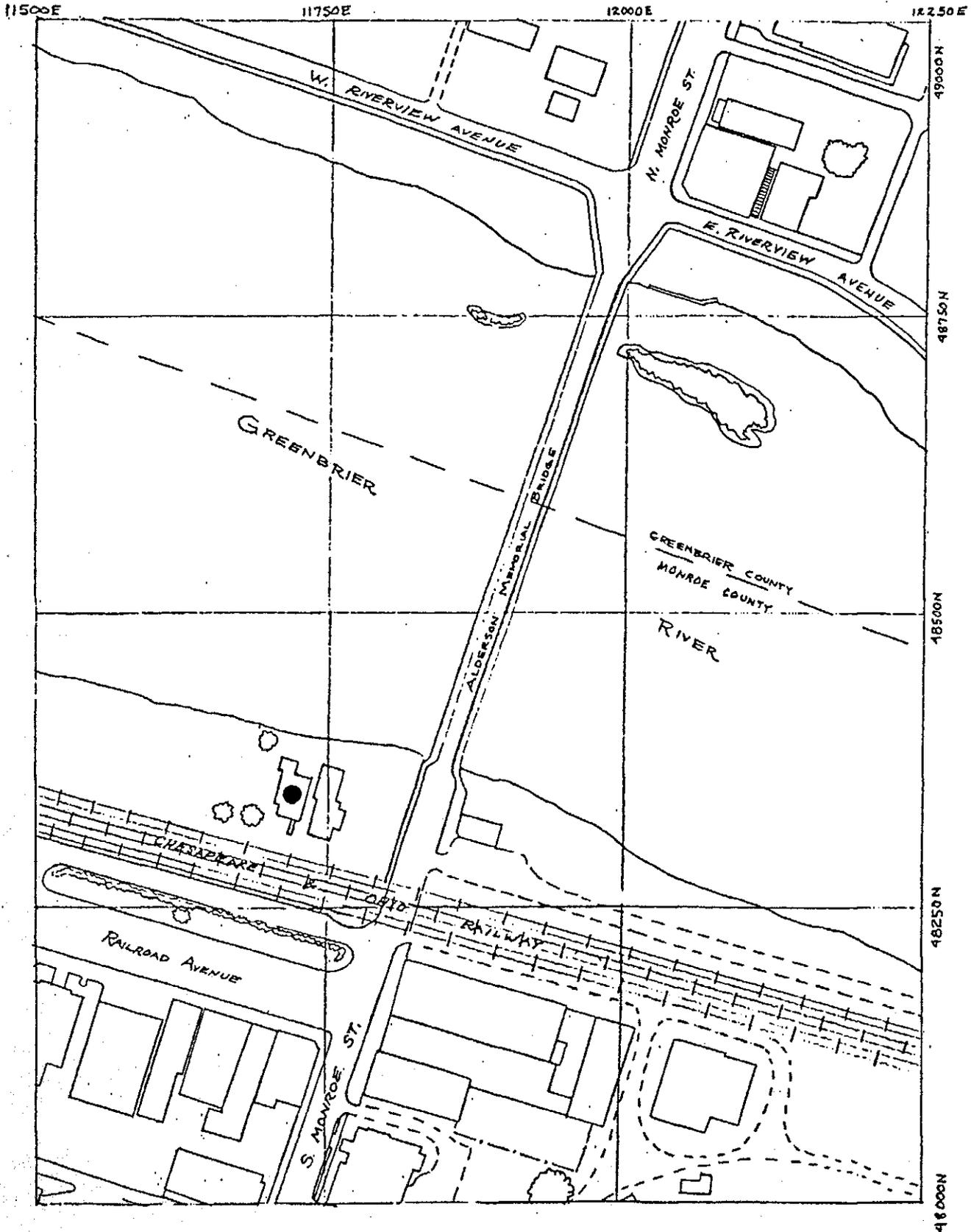
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Description: The house faces the mainline of the Chesapeake and Ohio
Railway (CSX), which parallels Railroad Avenue. The
house is situated on the south bank of the Greenbrier
River (within the floodway). The two-story house has
a rectangular main block running north and south, with
a two-story annex to the northwest corner and a smaller
stair annex to the northeast corner on the first floor
only. The roof of the main house is gabled to the
front and back. The rear annex has a shed or sloped
roof; there is a one-story porch with roof to the front.
The house has two chimneys, one central and one to the
rear. It is undetermined if the rear annex was of
original construction or an addition. The house has
clapboard siding with v-groove metal sheet roofing.
The windows are mixed and include: one-over-one-light
double-hung; one-over-one-light single hung; one-by-one-
light, hinged; two-over-two-over-two-light, hinged.
The front gable-end is sided with wooden shingles.
The house is deteriorated.

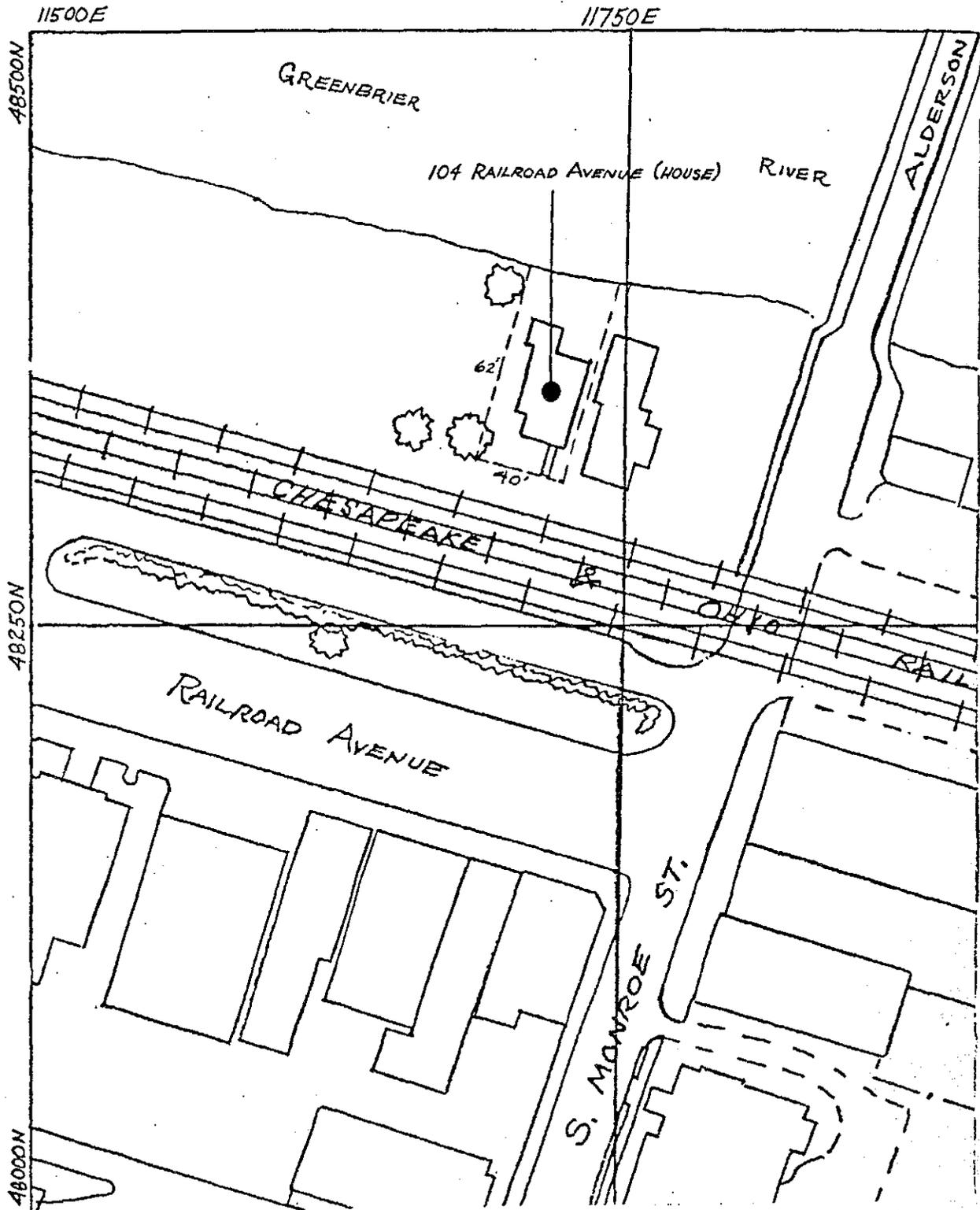
History: The house was built about 1880 during the railroad boom
that occurred following the arrival of the C&O in 1872.
The house is presently vacant, and due to the location of
its foundation in the floodway of the river, the house has
suffered severe structural damage from several floods.
The Town of Alderson intends to raze the structure for
aesthetic benefit and public access to the river.

Source: Town of Alderson Historic Survey, 1988

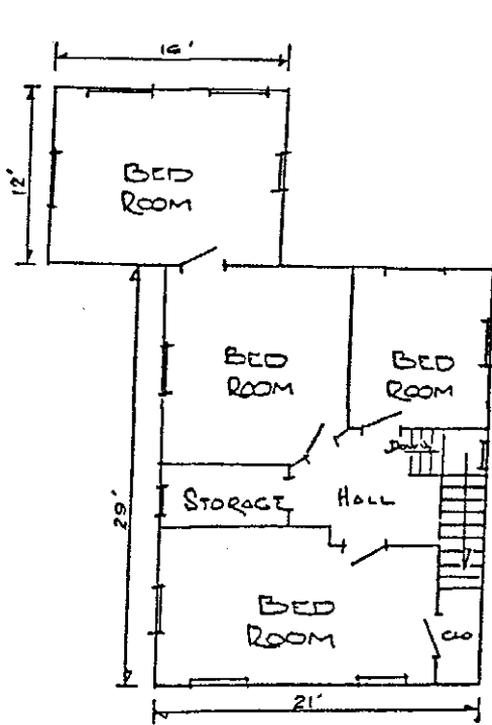
Historian: E. S. Hanger, Jr., Mayor of Alderson
Michael Gioulis, Historic Preservation Consultant
November 28, 1988



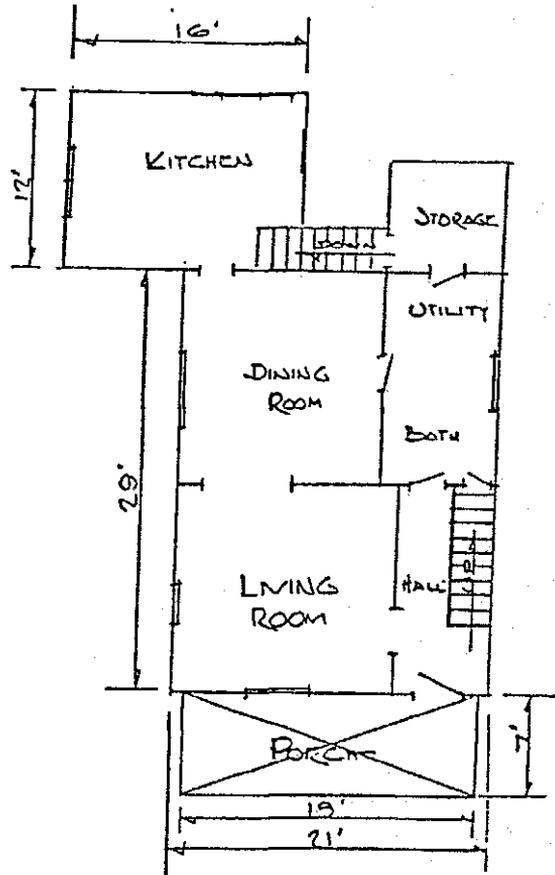
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