

Register of Old Buildings
 Macon County Historical Coordinating Council

Address: 259 N. College St.
 Legal description:
 Western Addition
 N 110' of Lot 1 Blk 6

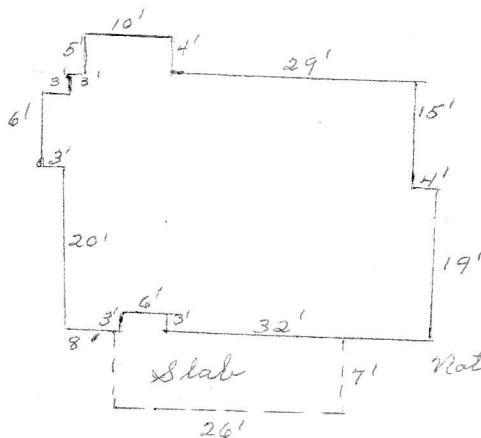
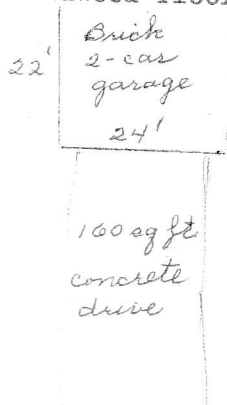
Date of original construction: 1912 Est., Assessor's Office.
 1916 See city directory data below.
 1914 Date given by present owner,
 Agnes Henebry.

Name of original owner: Davis B. Folrath.

History:

1. Data from available city directories.
 - 1915- No 259 N. College listed.
 (Note: D. B. Folrath was listed at 539 W. Decatur in 1915)
 - 1916-1939 Davis B. Folrath* (Effie J.)
 - 1940-1943 Effie J. Folrath
 - 1944 Vacant
 - 1945-1946 Harris G. Crowell
 - 1947-1950 J. Otto Heinz - (Sec., W. T. Delahunty, Inc., Plumbing and Heating)
 - 1951-1964 Central Ill. District, Missouri Synod Lutheran Church
 - 1965-1967 Frank C. Acton
 - 1968- 3 apartments - Agnes Henebry, owner

2. Data from Decatur Township Assessor's office.
 - Bldg. Class B - 2-6 family apts.
 - 2- story, 3 apts., 8 rooms
 - Masonry construction, brick walls
 - Gable roof, tile, 2 porches - 1 open, 1 closed
 - Full basement, 2 bathrooms, 1 half-bath
 - 1 natural fireplace
 - Hardwood floors (8 rooms), hardwood trim, 6 closets.



Not drawn to scale

Present owner: Agnes Henebry.

3. History Cont'd.:

(a) Miss Agnes Henebry, present owner of this house, said on April 14, 1927 that it was reported to her that in 1912 or 1913 Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Folrath on a trip to Europe saw in England a house similar to this one. When they arrived home they contacted Mr. England Dague, local architect, gave him the data and had him design this house. The floor plan, Agnes Henebry believes, is very similar to their former home at 539 West Decatur. The exterior of that house (539 West Decatur) is of timber and stucco. This one is of brick veneer - but with 8" of brick at most points. It was Agnes Henebry who converted into apartments.

When the Missouri Synod Lutherans owned the house, a bathroom had been built where there originally was a butler's pantry and the south end of the living room was made into a den (office) for the Reverend Mr. Rein. Miss Henebry has made no changes that could not easily be removed to restore it in its original form. Some walls on the second floor still show the original "burlap rolled over wet plaster" finish.

(b) See attachments.
Dec. 12, 1945 Review D. B. Folrath Home; one of Finest.

July 21, 1946 Sun. Herald & Review 259 S. College sold by Arthur Wallisa to Harris Cromwell.

Sept. 19, 1915, Herald, One of Decatur's Pretty New Homes.

Present owner: Agnes Henebry

Two Hundred New Houses Built In Decatur This Year

TWO hundred new houses are pictured in this number of The Review, not quite as many as last year, but enough to make a good showing of growth for one year. The total number of new houses for the year will be a few more than that, but the building season was late in getting started and a great many houses were started that are not yet far enough along to make pictures.

There have not been as many expensive houses this year. There were only seven that cost \$5,000 or more each, while last year there were three times that many. The average cost this

year is doubtless much lower than that of a year ago.

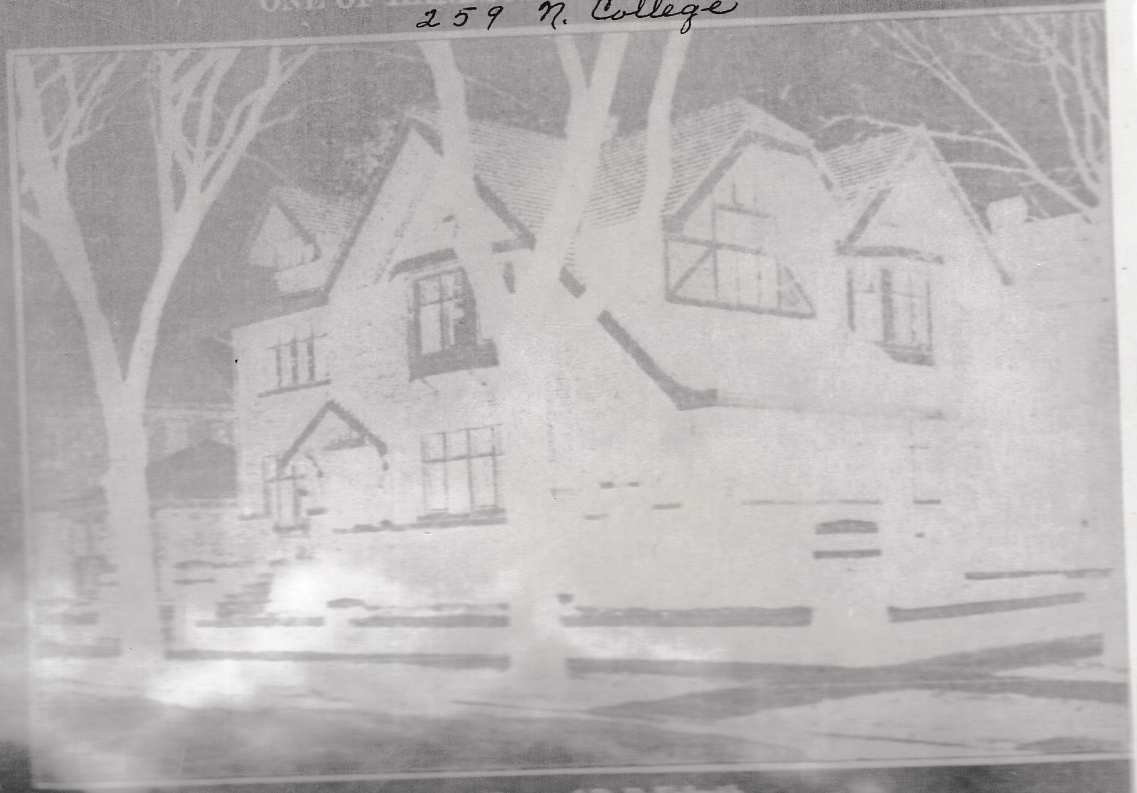
It has been another bungalow year. In general appearance the houses are interesting, and there is a great variety in style and more variety than usual.

The new houses have been built in all sections, so that it can not be claimed that any one part of town has grown much more rapidly than other parts. Pictures of new houses of the year are shown on this and following pages, arranged by streets alphabetically.

TAPESTRY BRICK: HANDSOME HOUSE

ONE OF HANDSOMEST HOMES OF YEAR.

259 N. College



Residence of R. E. Fink

NEW HOUSES BUILT THIS YEAR

WANSLEY IN DE FOR HOME

W. B. A. Robinson's
Property in 745
Macon Street.

MONTGOMERY BUYS

of Harristown Secures
Farm Near Dalton
for \$32,000.

SEPT. 13 TO 14	
City Transfers	\$ 21,129
Country Transfers	4,779
Foreign Deals	66
Interest	12,422
Last year	48,252
Foreign Deals	\$ 42,598

Larger realty transactions in the transfer of property. W. T. Wamsley and Mrs. Wm. Mr. Wamsley traded a modern home, 345 West on a lot 23 by 52 for Mrs. Robinson's home in 745 West valued at \$4,000. Mr. Wamsley takes the other half interest accepting the cash paid through. The Wamsleys are of good family, Ash of Hart, 123.50. The farm is well timbered and Mr. Ash takes payment. It was a cash deal.

Bartscht Sales

Parted with the James O. five-room modern cottage East Franklin street for a cash already wired into the valuation \$1700.

Montgomery Buys

W. Montgomery, purchased L. Hurriss' five-room house for a home. The deal is already closed. He sold to Joe Robinson a lot in the 2300 block street for investment. A couple will build a five-room house.

W. B. A. Robinson's

Property in 745 Macon Street. The deal is already closed. He sold to Joe Robinson a lot in the 2300 block street for investment. A couple will build a five-room house.

ONE OF DECATUR'S PRETTY NEW HOMES



D. S. Folzath Residence, College and West William. Brooks & Bramhall Architects, S. H. Neek, Contractor.

The 1908 North Macon Street to Arthur L. Davis. Mr. Davis got in a chance to secure a vacant lot in the 1908 South Franklin street. No doubt this was a good deal.

W. E. Scott traded to C. A. Price through Cash Realty company a lot in South Franklin street for 19 acres of land in Lincoln county, Arkansas. Both deal for investment. Consideration \$1000 on each side.

C. P. Matley sold to Paul Lynn and Dudley Dutton, vacant lots in South Hoyt street in Lincoln place. The lots are the last two on the east side of Hoyt street. Consideration in both cases was \$1,200.

J. H. Patterson sold to James E. Pierce the residence property in 1114 East North street, consideration \$11,500.

OBJECTIONS MUST BE MADE BEFORE SEPT. 21

Green Street Paving Confirmation Set for that Date—Advertise for Bids on East Side Jobs.

Objections to the confirmation of the pavement roll in the West Green street paving case must be filed in writing on or before Tuesday, Sept. 21, according to a rule entered by Judge J. H. McCoy Saturday.

The bid was advertised for bids in the paving of portions of Hillman, Franklin, Jasper, Illinois and Carroll roads streets. The bids will be opened Tuesday, Sept. 21.

Contractor Arthur McNabb will deliver paving bids aggregating \$17,729 to the Traffic Monday afternoon at the parking in East William street. He will also receive Contractor Tuttle \$2,975 in cash. The bids bear 1 per cent interest.

Industry sources have already said that their developments and effect on the road work and Harrison street have been deprieved from that work. It can be seen from the contract and the nature of the contract price is evidence by the bids.

NEW PYTHIAN HOME IS ABOUT READY FOR ROOF

E. C. Rabow Secures Contract for New Mueller Machine Shop and Start Work

Another two weeks will see the Illinois Pythian Home for the aged ready for the roof. L. N. Cook, general contractor, says the work is progressing nicely and that the building will be under roof before the coming winter weather sets in. Considerable interior work is also being done. The home promises to be an attractive building when completed.

E. C. Rabow has been awarded the contract for the new Mueller machine shop to be erected at Court, Gordon and Monroe streets, costing \$11,500. Ground has been cleared and excavation work already started. This building will give much needed space and relieve a congested condition in the main factory.

Brushing New Elevator. The Sutter-Hunt elevator is being removed. The excavation was completed by C. H. Weather. Work was started Monday morning. The big wooden elevator for carrying the material.

The Decatur Lumber and Manufacturing company has started work on a big fire wall to separate the plant from the Yallahs railroad.

Interior work on the Hotel Grande is progressing and contractors are anxious that carrying will be completed by the middle of January.

Foundation work for the new building in the 100 block North West street. The plans will show a concrete in a few days. The building is to be of white brick and is said to be a valuable addition to the city.

Among the building contracts there is a new one for a new residence for a local contractor.

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NEW FOLRATH HOME OFFERS NEW IDEAS

West William Street Residence Compact and Planned With all Conveniences.

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Use Mat Brick Face. The exterior is of mat brick with face tapestry laid in dutch mold. It is a two-story structure set off with a green tile roof. A garage in the rear for two cars will also be of brick and green tile roof to match the house. All terraces and porches of the residence will be of cherry red tile with black dividers and colored borders. Steps will be of concrete with inlaid panels of tile.

The toilet rooms will have tile floor and tile wainscoting. The bathroom will have tile floor and tile side walls to the ceiling. There will be a built-in bath tub, a dental lavatory, all fixtures to be of solid porcelain. One of the features will be a drinking fountain in the upstairs hall. The fountain will be of the pedestal design.

Upper Rooms in White. All the upstairs rooms will be of white with mahogany doors. Floors will be of polished oak. On the second floor there will be three bedrooms, a sleeping porch, bath room and several closets. The stairway leading to the upstairs will be decorated with mahogany doors.

French doors will also lead from the living room and the dining room to the porch and from the dining room to the kitchen. The living room will be of the same design as the living room in the main house. There will be a fireplace and a built-in bookcase.

The kitchen will be of white tile floor and side walls to the ceiling. The pantry will have a tile floor and the wainscoting. The kitchen will be a modern one with a sink, range and refrigerator. The French doors will be of special design and glass. The stairs and back cases is another one of the features.

Basement Complete. In the basement will be a complete laundry room, storage room and closet and toilet. The house is to be heated with city heat. The fuel will be delivered with a low brick wall which to match the house. At the corners will be brick pillars with on stone caps.

RETURNS FROM CONVENTION

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Jennings returned Saturday from Columbia, G. S. Mr. Jennings was a delegate to the National Association of Stationary Engineers. The convention reports a great success. The election of W. E. Jennings of New York, president and S. W. Bays of Chicago, secretary. The next meeting will be in Mississippi.

When Baby Has the Croup

When a mother is awakened from sound sleep to find her child who has gone to bed apparently in the best of health struggling for breath, she is naturally alarmed. Yet if she can keep her presence of mind and give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy every ten minutes until vomiting is produced, relief will follow and the child will drop to sleep to awaken in the morning as well as ever. This remedy has been in use for many years with untold success. Obtainable everywhere.

Chalmers Six 40

\$1350 Seven Passengers

July 21, 1946
~~Dec 19, 1946~~



Folrath House, Small Homes Lead Market

FOLRATH HOUSE CHANGES HANDS



One of the outstanding real estate transactions of the week was the sale of the old Folrath home at 339 North College street by Harris Cromwell to Arthur Wallisa. It is a brick house with a tile roof and hardwood floors. There are four large bedrooms upstairs and several rooms in the basement. The house has a fireplace and is heated by city heat. Mr. Wallisa bought for a home and will get possession soon. The deal was handled by R. C. Green and Charles Deck.

Leading Decatur's real estate transactions for the week was the sale of the old Folrath home at 339 North College

street to Arthur Wallisa, who plans to take possession soon. The house was sold by Harris Cromwell and has a fireplace,

city heat and four upstairs bedrooms. (Herald-Review photo)

Vets Buy Homes

Paul Sanner sold to Veteran James Bernhart a half-acre tract with a three-room modern house, one-half mile north of the township line road. The purchaser bought for a home and has possession. The transaction was handled by James R. Wellapp.

Fred W. Hess sold his five-room modern colonial bungalow at 1140 East North street to Virgil W. Schroat, another veteran. The house has hardwood floors, kitchen with built-in features, full basement and a furnace. It is on a full lot with garage. Mr. Schroat is completely redecorating it. Mr. Hess was a Wabash brakeman for 24 years before his retirement in 1942. He recently purchased a farm near Herrick, Ill., where he now lives. The purchaser bought for a home and has taken possession. This transaction was handled by the Coombs Realty Co.

Shady Crest Sale

Donald E. Eagle sold to Thomas J. Vignot his six-room brick house on a double lot at 277 Shady Crest. The house has hardwood floors, built-in features in the kitchen and dining, and an excellent basement with a shower and bathroom in the kitchen. The purchaser bought for a home and will have possession soon. The transaction was handled by the Coombs Realty Co.

David M. Coombs

David M. Coombs sold to Mrs. A. O. Coombs a four-room modern house at 1140 East North street. The house has hardwood floors, built-in features, and a full basement with a shower and bathroom in the kitchen. The purchaser bought for a home and will have possession soon. The transaction was handled by the Coombs Realty Co.

Everett E. Smith

Everett E. Smith sold to Paul E. Donald his modern four-room house at 1215 Walnut street. The house is about a year old and has a full basement with a shower and bathroom in the kitchen. The purchaser bought for a home and will have possession soon. The transaction was handled by the Coombs Realty Co.

Donald W. King

Donald W. King sold to W. Fred McShirone a modern bungalow at 128 West Market street. The house is about three years old and has oak floors, built-in features, insulation and is on a landscaped lot. The purchaser bought for a home and will take possession soon. The transaction was handled by the Coombs Realty Co.

Hillcrest addition. There is a large living room with a fireplace, and a large kitchen with built-ins. There are two bedrooms with closets, modern bath and hardwood floors. It has a full deep basement with hot air furnace and stoker. The house is five years old and has insulation, storm windows, storm doors and screens and is on a lot 50 by 150 feet, landscaped and surrounded by a white picket fence. There is a single-car garage. The purchaser bought for a home and has possession. P. H. Sproat & Co. handled the transaction.

Sale in Elm Addition

Franklin C. Merrill sold his four-room modern cottage at 4 South Drive in the Elm addition to Harry C. McKee. The house has hardwood floors, full basement and garage. Mr. McKee bought for a home and will have possession soon. The transaction was handled by the Coombs Realty Co.

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CHECK HOUSING SURVEY REPORT



Richard Ewert, head of the federal census bureau in Washington, checks reports on the Decatur housing survey with F. W. Cull who has been

in charge of the survey. Enumerators have nearly completed their survey of the city and adjacent areas and a final report is due in September. (Herald-Review photo)

six-room modern home at 1506 East Central avenue. The purchaser bought for a home and will get possession soon. The sale was handled by the Virgil A. David Real Estate Co.

Mr. and Mrs. George Triett purchased from Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tull a five-room modern house at

Urbana Family Still in Lead

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AUTOMATIC 1220

Fogwell Warren D (Kate) eng Wabash r 443 W Eldorado
 Foker Alda D (Clara) wks Wabash r 2533 E Orchard
 Foley Flora S Miss r 629 W Prairie av
 Foley Keith driver F H Hiser r 1736 E William
 Foley Thomas J (Laura) lab r 455 E Leafland av
 Foley Vere E wks Wabash r 1736 E William
 Foley Virginia A Miss r 629 W Prairie av
 Foley Wm E (Hattie E) wks C H & D r 1736 E William
 Folkers August W (Laura S) r 825 N Union
 → Folrath Davis B (Effie J) (Folrath & Folrath) r 259 N College
 Folrath Edward N opr Bartlett Frazier Co r 318 S Water
 Folrath Harry O (Folrath & Folrath) r 259 N College
 → Folrath Thomas H (Beatrice M) (Folrath & Folrath) r 539 W Decatur
FOLRATH & FOLRATH (Davis B Harry O and Thomas H Folrath) retailers of high class shoes 211 N Water

Foltz & Jenkins (Wm D Foltz rence H Jenkins) wagonmaker 329 E Prairie av
 Fonner Benton H (Lena H) wk Davis r 1014 N College
 Foran Daniel (Nellie) track su sor Wabash r 835 N College
 Foran Edward A student r 835 N lege
 Foran Joseph V r 835 N Colleg
 Foran Wm A clk Wabash r 835 N College
 Forbes Catherine (wid Wm) r Stone
 Forbes Elizabeth clk Wm Gu D G Co r 1237 E William
 Forbes Ira (Maud) wks I C r Wood
 Forbes Wm H messenger servie E William r 149 S Water
 Force Hazel H Miss tchr Ma St Sch rms 1171 W Main
 Forcen Archie S (Irene) lab r Clinton
 Ford Anna M Miss r 961 W W
 Ford Cora A Miss dressmkr Coffin Co r 817 N Pine
 Ford Ella M Miss r 961 W Will
 Ford George D (Emma E) Stevens Mfg & Fndry Co r Pine
 Ford Harry W barber J A Swa 1063 W Wood
 Ford Hester Miss r 392 N Oakl
 Ford James B (Mary E) barber W Wood
 Ford James C (Laverna) boil Wabash loco shops r 1140 E av
 Ford Jeanette Miss tchr depart sch r 961 W William
 Ford Kate B Miss r 961 W Wil
 Ford Lucy M (wid Abner M) r Oakland av
 Ford Mary E Miss r 961 W W

Folrath & Folrath
 211 North Water St. "Shoes that Satisfy"