

HISTORIC PROPERTIES INVENTORY FORM

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION UNIT  
DEPARTMENT of CULTURE & HISTORY  
SCIENCE & CULTURE CENTER  
CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA 25305

FILE NO: 7  
Theme(s):  
Neg No(s):  
USGS Quad: Charleston West, W.Va.  
UTM Ref: 17493830/4244110

DISTRICT..SITE..BUILDING..STRUCTURE..OBJECT

1. NAME(S), historic/common: Crawford/Gardner House

2. LOCATION, street/road: 743 Myrtle Road

city/town: Charleston  
(~~incorporated~~/unincorporated)

3. USE/FUNCTION, present: residence

(public/private,  
restricted)

original: residence

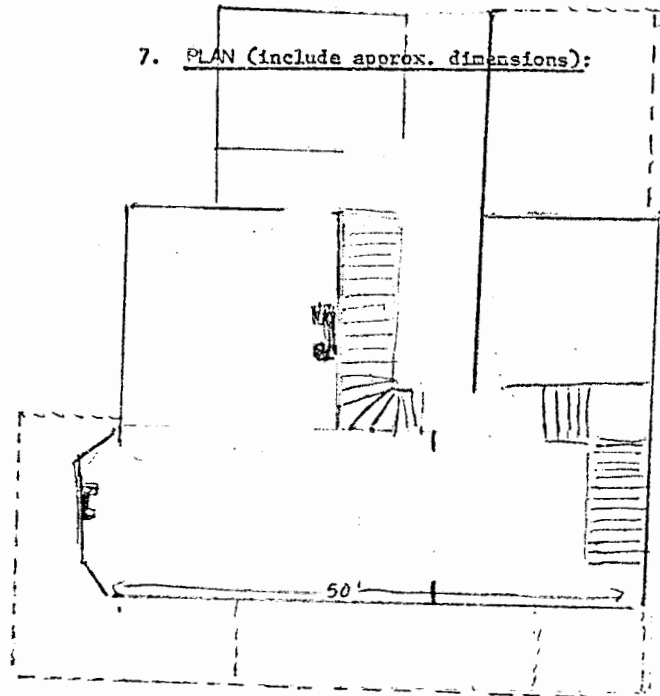
4. OWNER/ADDRESS, present: Charles Gardner  
(address above)

(public/private)

original: Ellis T. Crawford

5. PHOTO/SKETCH OF:

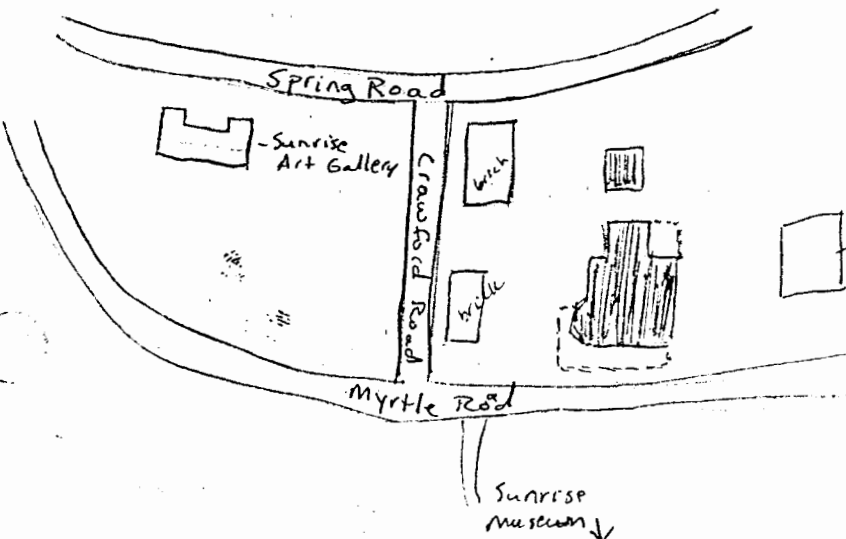
7. PLAN (include approx. dimensions):



6. LOCALE/ENVIRONMENT (map):

8. ACREAGE (approx):

1 acre



COUNTRY: Kanawha  
Survey Region: \_\_\_\_\_  
Planning District: \_\_\_\_\_

9. DESCRIPTION (clarify as appropriate):

a. Exterior Fabric

stone \_\_\_\_\_  
 brick X \_\_\_\_\_  
 concrete \_\_\_\_\_  
 stucco \_\_\_\_\_  
 weatherboard \_\_\_\_\_  
 clapboard \_\_\_\_\_  
 board & batten \_\_\_\_\_  
 shingle \_\_\_\_\_  
 other \_\_\_\_\_

b. Structural System

masonry X \_\_\_\_\_  
 frame \_\_\_\_\_  
 log \_\_\_\_\_  
 metal \_\_\_\_\_  
 other \_\_\_\_\_  
 foundation \_\_\_\_\_

c. Roofing Material

wood \_\_\_\_\_  
 metal \_\_\_\_\_  
 slate \_\_\_\_\_  
 tile \_\_\_\_\_  
 asphalt X \_\_\_\_\_  
 composition \_\_\_\_\_  
 other \_\_\_\_\_

d. Associated Structures (use/type):

outbuildings \_\_\_\_\_  
 garage \_\_\_\_\_  
 dependencies \_\_\_\_\_  
 other \_\_\_\_\_

e. Integrity (include dates):

original site/relocated \_\_\_\_\_  
 alterations fireplace added,  
side porch removed  
 additions NONE

f. Condition:

excellent \_\_\_\_\_  
 good X \_\_\_\_\_  
 fair \_\_\_\_\_  
 deteriorated \_\_\_\_\_  
 abandoned \_\_\_\_\_

g. Threats: NONE

10. SIGNIFICANCE (use additional sheet if necessary):

a. Architect/Builder/Engineer:  
Andrew Calderwood  
 b. Style/Period: American  
Four Square  
 c. Date(s): 1904

This home is significant as the residence of Ellis Thayer Crawford, a leading developer in coal and timber lands, and as a notable example of Charleston's early twentieth century architecture.

Ellis Thayer Crawford was the senior member of Crawford and Ashby, a real estate firm dealing in coal and timber lands. He and his wife, M. Katherine Burroughs, known as Katie Belle to the neighborhood, built this South Hills home around 1904.

Andrew Calderwood was hired to build the house. Calderwood was well respected in Charleston for his construction

11. BIBLIOGRAPHY:

Laidley, William S. History of Charleston and the Kanawha County. Chicago: Richmond-Arnold Publishing Co., 1911.

Interview with Betty Brown Gardner, June 26, 1983.

12. FORM PREPARED BY Alice Carter ; DATE Sept. 1983

a. Address 4011 Kanawha Ave. Charleston, WV 25304

b. Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Crawford, E.T./Gardner, Charles house  
743 Myrtle Road

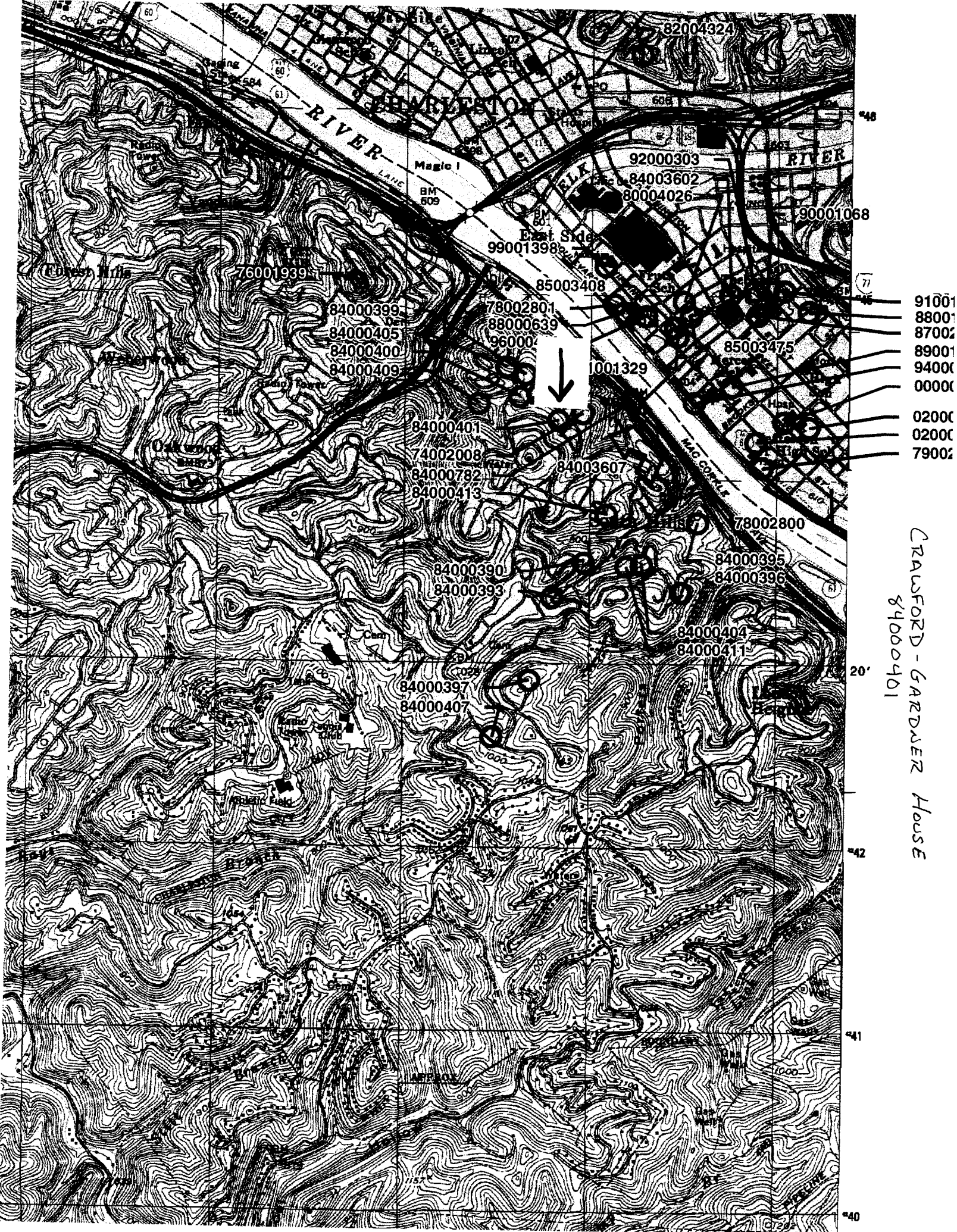
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of the old West Virginia State House, the Roman Catholic Church and the Ruffner Hotel.

The most distinctive feature of the Crawford house is its intricately patterned wood floor. The front parlors (now one room) and dining room each have different patterns of alternating strips of various shades and types of wood.

13. Verbal Boundary Description.

Situated on 1 acre lot, 200 by 200 feet, on the southern side of Myrtle Road, one lot west of the corner of Myrtle Road and Crawford Road; on lot No. 7, Kanawha County Tax Map No. 5, 15th Ward-16 (4-5-65).



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