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Significance: One of the first three faculty residences (masters' cottages) built for the Tome School for Boys in a linear grouping of six houses along Cottage Row (now Tome Road), as set out in the master plan of 1900. The designs of all six of the small houses show the skilled hand of talented architects.

Description: Designed by architects Boring and Tilton in an uncomplicated manner, Colonial Revival in massing, but with some Arts and Crafts detailing. This two-and-one-half-story house with a full basement story on the sloping rear has some fine architectural elements not expected in lower-cost residences of the period. With the original windows and doors boarded up, the quality of the design can be overlooked. The house is of frame and stucco and comprises a main block facing the road and, to the rear, a one-story wing across the back, with a fully exposed basement story. The main block is similar to Cottages 1 and 4. The front is five bays and the main block side is two bays, with one additional bay on the rear porch wing. The center of the front facade is a three-bay-wide by one-bay-deep porch with square posts, basket-weave railing, and hipped roof. On the porch, the entrance door with an arched head is at the right, an arched window on its left. The flanking bays project slightly to the front. On the left side of the porch is a small window; to the left of the porch are three small ascending windows, indicative of a staircase. To the right of the porch is one window. The second floor has two windows in the center and one window on each side. The windows are generally six-over-six-light double-hung wood sash, except for the small ones which are not visible. The sides have two windows on each floor and two basement windows. There is a water table and second-floor stringcourse. The roof is hipped, with a flare outward at the open eaves, projecting wide over the walls. The roof is in asphalt shingle; the original roof material is not known but was probably wood shingles. There are one front and one left-side dormer, each a double dormer with six-over-six-light double-hung sash. There is an original brick interior chimney and on the west wall a modern exterior one built of cast masonry units.

To the rear is a one-story, one-bay-deep extension at the first floor and a full basement story under it. There is a stuccoed porch, with masonry piers to the

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west and a closed section to the east. The house is in fair to poor condition. The interior is not accessible.

To the west are the remains of a driveway off Tome Road.

History: This was one of the first three masters' cottages, all designed by Boring and Tilton in a single design with variations. (The others are Cottages 1 and 4.) It was designed and redesigned in 1901 and built in 1902; the contractor was Levi Patterson, and the contract price was \$4,250. The building was intended to house several students as well as the master and his family. It continued in residential use in the Navy period. Now unoccupied, it is presently owned by the Bainbridge Development Corporation.

Sources: Tome Institute Board of Trustees Minutes  
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