

PISGAH NATIONAL FOREST INN, TREE TOP CABIN  
Blue Ridge Parkway Milepost 408.6  
Ashville  
Buncombe County  
North Carolina

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PHOTOGRAPHS

WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

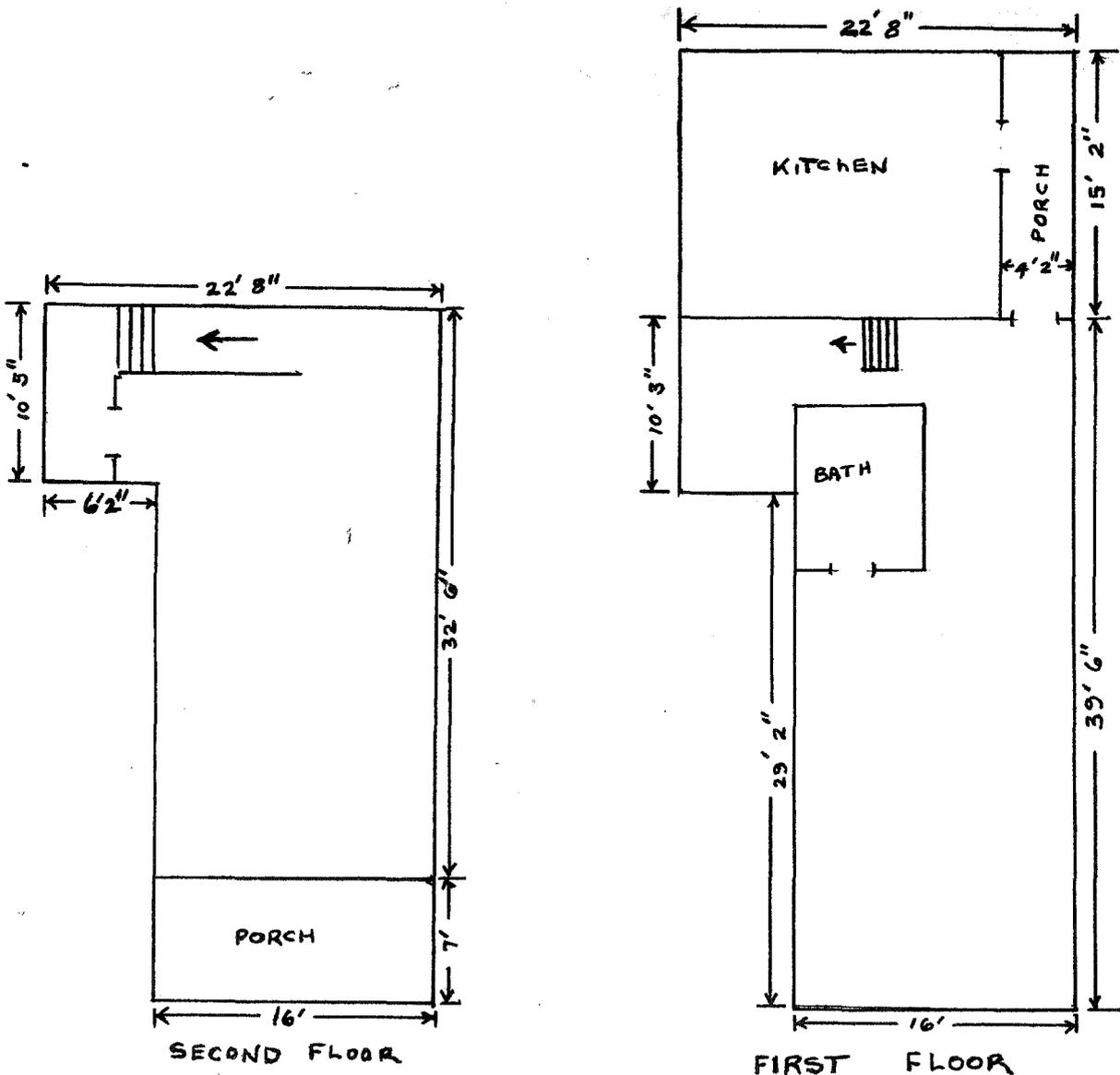
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Atlanta, Georgia 30303

ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE North Carolina		COUNTY Buncombe	TOWN OR VICINITY Asheville
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Tree-top Cabin (This cabin sits at the top of the original lease property line.)			HABS NO. NC-356-C
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE None			
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) Parkway Inn Inc., P. O. Box 749, Waynesville, NC 28706 (This cabin is part of the Old Pisgah Inn complex located at Parkway milepost 408.6 on Parkway left, three miles south of NC 151.)			
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1919-20 according to Old Pisgah Inn National Register Nomination Form		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) George F. Weston according to Carl A. Schenck, The Biltmore Story	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Tree-top Cabin sits at the top of the property line, a two-story structure with a south-east wing addition. The gabled roof structure is aligned east-west. There are two entrances; the west entrance is covered by a hood-on-brackets canopy. Above the canopy and flush with the building is a second floor porch which faces west.			
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Derived from William West Durant's Adirondack architecture known as "Pine Knot Style."			
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Tree-top Cabin is covered with board and batten siding. In addition, unpeeled log decoration gives special flavor to the porch, especially the fan design on the wall.			
FORM AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Tree-top is a rectangular structure, the downstairs larger than the upstairs with a small L shape to one side.			
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Besides the west entrance already described, the board and batten exterior, the unpeeled log porch, there is a second entrance to the main structure on the southeast end.			
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Entering the west side, the large first floor room is divided by light board partitions into a two-room plan with a hall. The only bathroom for Tree-top is on the first floor. The second floor consists of two bedrooms with window's facing south. Access to the porch is through the second bedroom.			
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Tree-top's southeast addition has a separate entrance; it is a one-room gabled structure with a modern bath, added in 1979.			
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Tree-top is a deteriorated structure. It has been used since the later 1960's for concessioner seasonal employee housing.			
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE None			
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) National Register Of Historic Places Inventory, Nominaiton Form - 10/14/82 completed by consultant to the North Carolina Division of Archives and History, updated and amplified 3/26/86 by NPS, SERO.			
COMPILER, AFFILIATION Allen R. Hess, Cultural Resource Management Specialist, BRP			DATE 4/29/88

BUILDING No. 565  
CABIN DORMITORY  
FOR Employee USE  
"TREE TOP HOUSE"

HABS SKETCH DRAWING  
NOVEMBER 25, 1987  
BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY



1 in. = 10 ft

1145 sq. Ft.