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SIGNIFICANCE: This cabin is a contributing element of Fort Hill Farm.

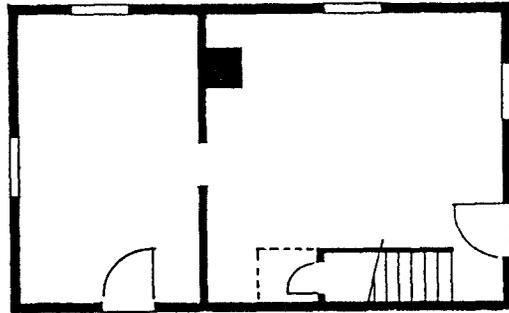
DESCRIPTION: This building is a two-story cabin with one room per floor and a shed-roofed, enclosed, rear lean-to. The cabin is framed with circular-sawn, dimensional lumber fastened with wire nails, and is set on brick piers slightly above grade. The clapboards are painted white and the trim green. The side-gable roof is covered with galvanized, corrugated seam roofing. A brick chimney flue with a corbelled cap rises from the northwest corner of the rear roof slope. The cabin has 6/6 double-hung sash windows set in plain surrounds. It has five-panel doors; wrought iron, box-lock hardware is present on the door joining the lean-to and main room and on the exterior door to the lean-to, and metal knobs and locks are present on the front door. The ghost of a porch is visible across the central two-thirds of the east (main) elevation.

All of the interior walls and ceilings are covered with narrow, beaded horizontal boards, and the floors are covered with tongue-in-groove boards. An enclosed, straight-run stairway, with closet beneath, is located along the south wall. There is a brick stove flue with a thimble near the northwest corner of the main room and a thimble in the corresponding location of the east wall in the lean-to. The upstairs room also has a flue with a thimble in the west wall. There is no evidence that the building was serviced by either electricity or plumbing.

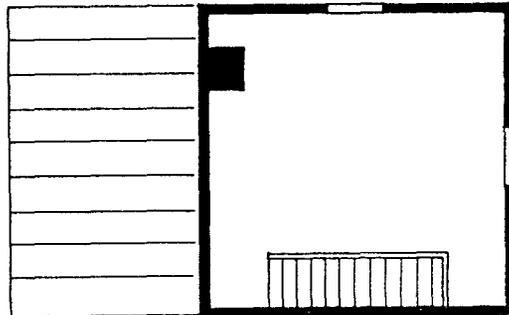
HISTORY: The construction date of this building is not known. Judging by many of the interior details, it appears to have been built within the first two decades of the twentieth century.

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First Floor



Second Floor

