

in the fall of 1911, when she was nearly 75, her health no longer permitted her to continue these activities and she went to live with her daughter and son-in-law in their 6th st. home. The house continued to be occupied by roomers, prominent among whom were members of the Hamill family. Elma Hamill, now of Presbyterian Manor, and her sister Mary had roomed there the winter of 1909-1910, and Elma had continued there, with another room-mate, during the following year. The next year Elma was teaching elsewhere, but her sisters Mary and Louella stayed there. In 1913-1914 the Hamill family came from Grannis, Ark., and occupied the downstairs, but left Sterling in 1914 to move back to Arkansas. College students, perhaps including Wyatt and Roy Fullerton, probably continued to occupy the upstairs rooms, or some of them.

Mrs. Wiggins died May 24, 1914, and her daughter inherited a part-interest in the property; subsequently she purchased (or was given) the shares of her two brothers.

The Porters moved into the North Broadway house on Aug. 1, 1914, and it remained the family home until the summer of 1946.

At the time they moved in, according to Mrs. Porter, the house had "eight rooms and a large pantry." According to my own recollections, sometime between the date of the photograph and our moving in, the "shop" had been moved to the rear of the house and was connected with it by a very low wooden platform, to which one descended from the house by two or three steps. This platform was in a rather ramshackle condition.

The eight rooms, and pantry, mentioned above, may be divided into three categories: (a) the ground floor of the main two-story front section--4 rooms; (b) the second floor of that section--3 rooms; and (c) a one-story rear section which consisted of 2 rooms (including the pantry) and a covered porch.

The rooms on the lower floor of the two-story section consisted of a large "front room" or "parlor", to which the bay window in the photograph belonged and which was entered, from the outside, by the door on the north side of the porch. From the front room one could enter a tiny bedroom, north of the front room and occupying the northwest corner of the ground floor; a door in its east end opened onto a tiny hall and also onto the stairway leading to the second floor; I cannot now recall whether this little bedroom was a part of the original two-stories or was a single-story addition, but rather think the former. The tiny hall, above mentioned, could be reached by a "stoop" and outside door located about the middle of the northern side of the building.

The door on the east of the front porch entered a good-sized room, the south window of which can be seen in the photograph, and which in my earliest memories doubled as living-room and dining-room. A door in its northwest corner connected with the front room, and another, in its northeast corner, connected with what was then the kitchen, which occupied the northeast corner of the ground floor of the two story section. Through a door near the livingroom-diningroom's southeast corner one could enter the "master bedroom", located in the south end of the rear single-story section. The kitchen had no less than five doors: the one above mentioned, connecting with the livingroom; a door in its southwest corner leading down to the cellar, a stone-walled, very dark room, occupying only the space below the kitchen, and reached from the outside by a bulkhead door, north of the building; a door in the northwest corner leading to the stairway; a door in the northeast corner leading to a covered porch; and one in the southeast corner leading to the pantry.