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Retreat (Mount Welcome)
3144 Granite Road
(west side, 0.6 mile north of Offutt Road)
Granite

early 1800s

Set well back from the highway, this three-story-plus-attic Vernacular-style stone house was built of locally quarried granite. Built on a symmetrical plan, the house has a gable roof, and long verandahs on the lower level and first floor level. Outbuildings include a stone slave quarters and a large frame board-and-batten stable with a cupola, as well as other dependencies.

The house was located formerly on 200 acres adjoining the Blunt farm. It was built, or added to, by Lemuel Offutt, who married Maria Worthington Walters. It was held in the same family until 1950. This house should be called "Retreat" rather than "Mount Welcome," as some earlier HABS lists showed it. The owner of the farm cluster in 1978 was listed as H.E. Parks.

