

each side. The living room, west of the hall, has a panelled overmantel with fluted pilasters. The dining room, east of the hall, had a completely panelled wall, although much of it has been damaged, and in the north-east corner of this room there is an enclosed stair which rises to the attic. Each of the two second floor bedrooms are panelled on the fireplace wall. There are two closets - one on each side of the fireplace. The attic shows evidence of having been divided in the same manner as the second floor. The central hall staircase is partially enclosed from the second floor to the attic. The banister is missing, but a piece of it has been found in one of the out-buildings and shows fine workmanship. The step-ends are similar to those at Sophia's Dairy.

The house was recently broken into and all of the doors were smashed and mutilated. The present owner hopes to restore the building in the future.

Marker reads: "Rumsey Mansion

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