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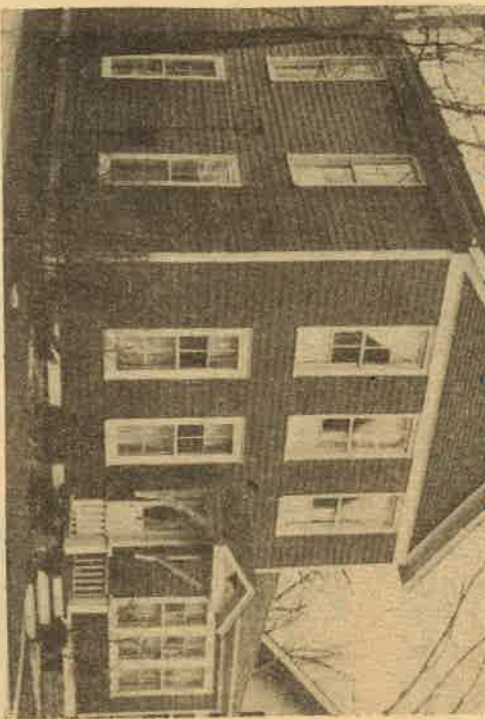
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HOUSE WAS BUILT IN 1868

Originally the Daisy Benedict House.

# Developer Offers Benedict House

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BIRMINGHAM—A local land developer has offered to donate a 102-year-old home to the city's historic board if the city will pay most of the costs of moving the old structure to a new location.

Burke Bartlett of Bloomfield Hills, the developer, said the two-story farm house at 535 Merrill St., known as "Daisy Benedict House," may have to be demolished this winter.

Owned originally by one of Birmingham's earliest families, the Benedict house must be removed by Dec. 1, Bartlett, who owns the property, said.

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toward moving costs if the city cares to move the building," Bartlett explained. "We are planning to build new town houses along Merrill Street and if the house is going to be moved it must be done soon."

The Birmingham Historical Society has recognized the Benedict home as an historic structure, but is now involved in raising funds for restoration of John W. Hunter House — the city's oldest home which was recently moved.

There was no immediate response from the city's historical board on Bartlett's offer.