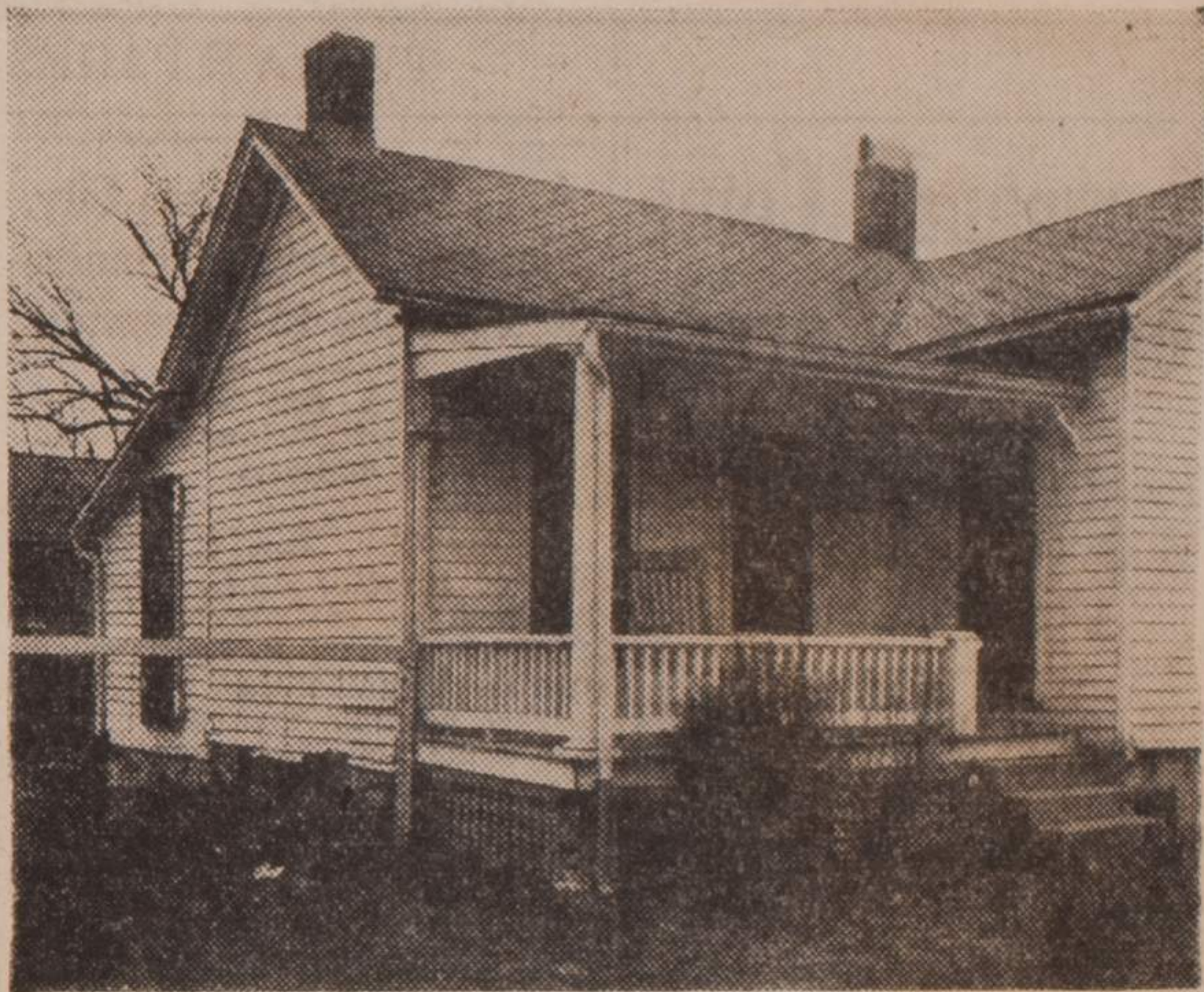


WAS HERALD OF FREEDOM OFFICE



The room in the left foreground of the above picture was the first home of the newspaper the Herald of Freedom. At the time the newspaper plant occupied it, the building was located, it is believed, at the corner of Seventh and Massachusetts where the Kansas Electric Power company now stands. It was built by J. H. Gleason, the father of Mrs. C. O. Bowman, 1221 Tennessee street.

Later, the room was moved to 706 Connecticut where it stands, and more was added to it. It is now the residence of the F. H. Penner family.

The first issue of the Herald of Freedom was printed in the Pennsylvania office of Dr. G. W. Brown and dated Wakarusa, Kan., October 21, 1854. The second issue was

printed at Lawrence on January 5, 1855.

The Herald of Freedom plant was destroyed by Sheriff Jones on May 21, 1856 and the paper suspended publication until November 1, 1856, when it was again issued with complete new equipment, and continued publication until 1859 or 1860, when it was discontinued.

At the time when the room, then a separate building, was used by the Herald of Freedom, it was not plastered. The walls consisted only of the weatherboarding. A few years ago, when the interior was being prepared for replastering, a printer's mallet, doubtless dating from the Herald of Freedom days, was found in the wall. The mallet is on display in the Montgomery Ward window.