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Subject: please deny MPC Agenda item # 17. STONEY POINT FARM 4-SB-10-F

Dear MPC Commissioners,

I'm attaching a series of photographs that shows the section of historic Lowe's Ferry Landing and Admiral Farragut park that would be dramatically and negatively affected by a decision to approve the final subdivision of Stoney Point Farm.

Hopefully these photos show, rather than tell, what we are in danger of losing. Preserving this piece of history is important to the nation, not just to Knox County.

Please deny MPC Agenda item # 17. STONEY POINT FARM 4-SB-10-F pending a complete archaeological study.

Thank you,

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Admiral Farragut Park

&

Lowe's Ferry Landing



BIRTHPLACE OF AMERICA'S FIRST ADMIRAL



Historic Road

Monument

Lowe's Ferry Landing



Monument

Cut-stone wall
marking boundary
between private
and public land

Historic Road

Lowe's Ferry
Landing



213-year-old road to the ferry



Telephoto view of 213-year old road to the ferry

BIRTHPLACE OF
ADMIRAL FARRAGUT
BORN JULY 5TH 1801.

ERECTED BY
BONNY KATE CHAPTER
D.A.R. KNOXVILLE.

DEDICATED BY
ADMIRAL DEWEY
MAY 15TH 1900

Birthplace monument placed next to the ferry road

DEWEY AT FARRAGUT'S OLD HOME

Unveils a Monument at Low's Ferry to
Mark Farragut's Birthplace.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., May 15.—Admiral Dewey and his party, accompanied by various reception committees and members of the Daughters of the Revolution and many citizens, left the city this morning at 9 o'clock by boat for the birthplace of Admiral Farragut at Low's Ferry, thirteen miles west of this city. Arriving there near noon, the site of the old Farragut homestead was visited. There Admiral Dewey, who served as a Lieutenant under Farragut at Mobile Bay, formally unveiled a marble shaft erected to mark the birthplace of the first Admiral of the American Navy. Upon it is engraved:

Birthplace of Admiral David Glasgow Farragut, born July 3, 1801. Erected by Bonny Kate Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, Knoxville, Tenn. Dedicated by Admiral George Dewey, May 15, 1900.

Following the unveiling, Admiral Dewey made an address in which he paid high tribute to Farragut and recounted his associations with him. Addresses were made by Mrs. Charles A. Perkins, representing the Daughters of the American Revolution; Col. L. D. Lyson, and Judge O. P. Temple. The latter presented Admiral Dewey with a handsome miniature of Admiral Farragut. It is on ivory in a case, upon which is engraved: "Presented to Admiral Dewey on the occasion of his visit to Farragut's birthplace, Knoxville, Tenn., May 15, 1900."

The party returned to the city this afternoon, where a final reception was tendered Admiral Dewey by the Cumberland Club. Admiral Dewey and party left this evening for Washington.

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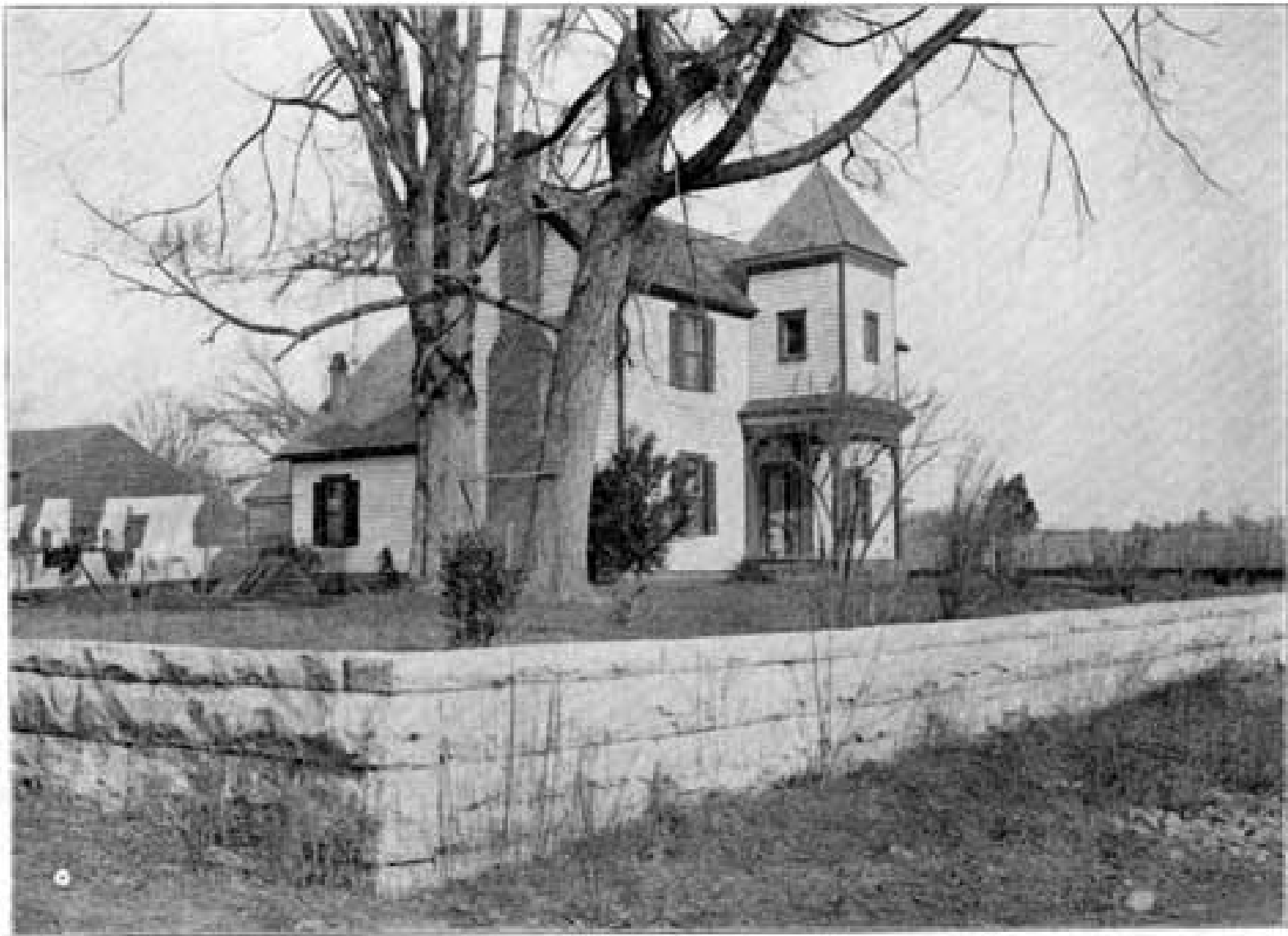
Write-up of the monument that appeared in the
May 16, 1900 New York Times



Part of a rubble wall that separates private & public land



Part of a cut-stone wall that separates private & public land



BIRTHPLACE OF ADMIRAL FARRAGUT, LOWE'S FERRY, KNOX COUNTY.
He was born 1801, in a house which stood a few feet from this building.

The cut-stone wall shown in an 1898 publication
(the caption appeared in the publication as shown)



View of the landing from across the cove



Telephoto shot showing the monument
and the historic wall



In 1797 Knox County granted Admiral Farragut's father a permit to begin the ferry



The entrance to the ferry road, which is the only way to access the monument by land, has recently been closed off by Knox County.