

She said the administration building "again is an important part of the Bonny Oaks history. Hamilton County would like to see the east (front) facade of the structure preserved and the remainder of the building renovated for light manufacturing or related offices."

Also planned for the Preservation Area circle is an outside exhibit telling the story of Bonny Oaks. Roads in the area include Reservation Drive, Heritage Park Drive, Founders Way and Enterprise Park Drive.

Mrs. Browder said, "The uniqueness of the Bonny Oaks Industrial and Office Park is the merging of the past and future. When the park is completed and occupied by new businesses, it will reflect the memories of yesterday and dreams of tomorrow."

County officials have set a price of \$40,000 for the Dent House and \$17,200 for the 2.93 acres that goes with it.

The price for the chapel is \$2,000, with \$95,200 for the 2.38 acres with it.

Price of the administration building is \$132,400. It comes with 7 acres at \$111,150.

The Dent House was built by L. Jarrett Dent, a North Carolinian who came here in the late 1840s and built some of the first roads into Chattanooga. He bought the tract from Col. Lewis Shepherd at Tyner and it was his plantation home.

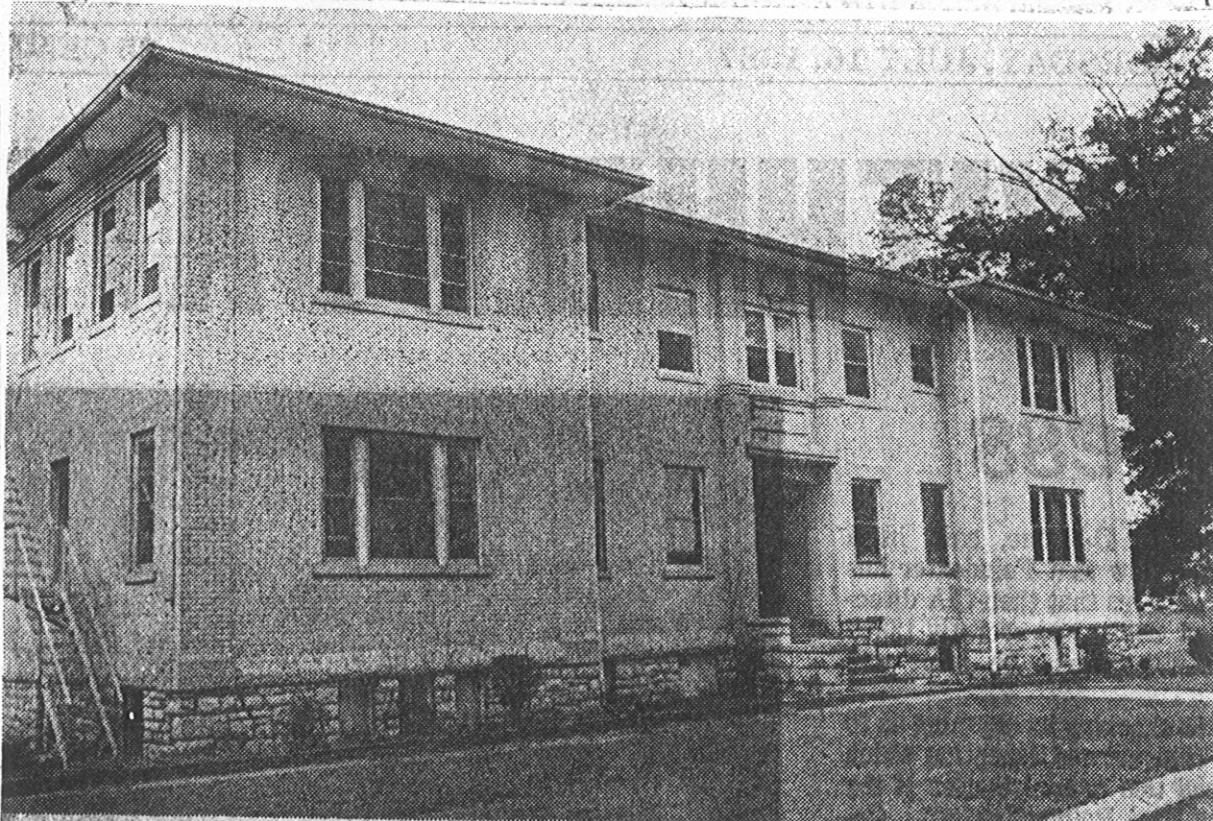
However, Col. Dent was a long Confederate and most of his neighbors were Unionists. He was forced to flee the area at the start of the Civil War. After the war, he lived at Dallas, Texas.

James Wright, also of North Carolina, bought the house in 1862 and lived there until the day before the Battle of Chickamauga. The Wrights lived there after the battle, but the house was transferred for later use as Bonny Oaks school.

The chapel was built in the late 1800s and named in honor of Dr. Nathan W. Bachman, beloved Chattanooga minister and superintendent of Bonny Oaks School.



SCHOOL CHAPEL — County officials are hoping an adaptive reuse will be found for the former chapel of Bonny Oaks School.



ADMINISTRATION BUILDING — This is one of three structures offered for sale by the county as part of the Preservation Area at the Bonny Oaks Industrial Park.