

## **The Labouisse House**



- 1. Name of Property if any: Labouisse House**
  
- 2. Street Address, including City and Zip Code:**  
**232 Cherokee Road**  
**Charlotte, NC 28207**
  
- 3. Date added to Study list: 6/8/2009**
  
- 4. Tax Parcel Number of Property: 15506263**
  
- 5. Owner of Property: Strawn and Susan Cathcart**

**6. Current Owner's Contact Information:**

**232 Cherokee Road**

**Charlotte, NC 28207**

**7. Period or Date of Construction: 1932**

**8. Source of Information for #7: Mecklenburg County Tax Records**

**9. Present use of Property: j**

**a. Agricultural, b. Commercial, c. Educational, d. Entertainment, e. Government, f. Industrial, g. Military, h. Museum, i. Park, j. Private Residence, k. Religious, l. Other**

**10. Architectural Style: French architectural elements are incorporated**

**11. Architectural Significance: a**

**a. Outstanding, b. Excellent, c. Notable, d. Commonplace**

**12. Map Showing Location of Property:**







## HISTORY OF

### 232 CHEROKEE ROAD

On February 15, 1928, a New Orleans cotton broker purchased the land at 232 Cherokee Road. John W. Labouisse and his wife, Sally, envisioned a French Regency home on their lot in the prominent Eastover neighborhood.

The Labouisses hired one of Charlotte's premiere architects, Louis Asbury. Mr. Asbury designed some of Charlotte's finest buildings including the Randolph Scott home on Dilworth Road, Ambassador McConnell's home on Granville Road, the original Charlotte Courthouse on Trade Street, Myers Park United Methodist Church at Queens and Providence Roads, and the Montaldo's building on Tryon Street. The original blueprints of the Cherokee home, dated 7-12-32, still exist. Southeastern Construction Company was selected to construct the home, and their signature plate is mounted in the exterior basement stairwell. Other projects they constructed were the Home Federal Savings and Loan building and Tomorrow Land at Disney World. The walls were erected with masonry a full thirteen inches thick with a center cavity between terra cotta and brick for insulation purposes. In addition, floor joists were a true 2" x 12". Construction was completed on both the home and garage outbuilding in 1932 at a cost of \$16,462.

The Labouisse family resided in the home 25 years. It was subsequently owned by Mrs. James G. Cannon, J. Chadburn and Anne Bolles, Scott and Nancy Cramer, Charles and Anne Barnhardt, and Jennings and Linda Snider. Since 1994, the home has been owned by Strawn and Susan Cathcart. Fortunately, the home today stands in its original footprint with the original stucco walls, cypress windows and shutters, and red tile roof. Hopefully, it will remain so.