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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Randolph Plantation

other names/site number Kerby House (preferred)

2. Location

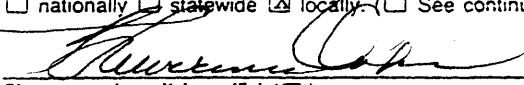
street & number Hale County Road 8 - Old U. S. Highway 80 N/A not for publication

city or town Prairieville vicinity

state Alabama code AL county Hale code 065 zip code 36742

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

 June 1, 1994
Signature of certifying official/Title Date

Alabama Historical Commission (State Historic Preservation Office)
State of Federal agency and bureau

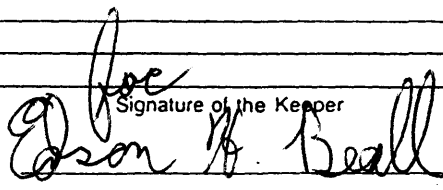
In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

- I hereby certify that the property is:
- entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet.
 - determined eligible for the National Register.
 See continuation sheet.
 - determined not eligible for the National Register.
 - removed from the National Register.


Signature of the Keeper

Entered in the Date of Action
National Register 7.7.94

Other (explain): _____

Kerby House
Name of Property

Hale County, Alabama
County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing		Noncontributing	
1		2	
			buildings
			sites
			structures
			objects
1		2	Total

Name of related multiple property listing
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)
Plantation Houses of the Alabama Canebrake and their associated outbuildings (1818-1942)

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register
N/A

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/single dwelling
Domestic/secondary structure
Domestic/secondary structure

Current Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/single dwelling
Vacant/not in use
Other/ruins

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)

Greek Revival

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Brick
walls Wood

roof Asphalt
other _____

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
B removed from its original location.
C a birthplace or grave.
D a cemetery.
E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
F a commemorative property.
G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance

ca. 1850

Significant Dates

ca. 1850

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS): N/A

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
previously listed in the National Register
previously determined eligible by the National Register
designated a National Historic Landmark
recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey
recorded by Historic American Engineering Record

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
Other State agency
Federal agency
Local government
University
Other

Name of repository:

Kerby House
Name of Property

Hale County, Alabama
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property 1 acre

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

1	16	435450	3596520
Zone	Easting	Northing	
2			

3			
Zone	Easting	Northing	
4			

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Jeff Mansell

organization Cahaba Trace Commission date August 24, 1993

street & number Route 1, Box 147 telephone (205) 665-7982

city or town Brierfield state Alabama zip code 35035

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name Mr. Jack Kerby

street & number 110 Andrews Drive telephone (205) 636-2588

city or town Thomasville state Alabama zip code 36784

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Estimated Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 18.1 hours per response including time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of the form to the Chief, Administrative Services Division, National Park Service, P.O. Box 37107, Washington, DC 20513-0107, and the Office of Management and Enterprise Services, Paperwork Reduction Project (3045-0047).

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Kerby house
Prairieville vicinity
Hale County, Alabama

The Kerby house, also known as the Randolph plantation, ca. 1850, is a one story frame Greek Revival cottage which rests on a small rise and faces north. The house was sited to face the old Upper Demopolis to Uniontown Road which later became U. S. Highway 80 - Hale County 8. Today, that road is known as old Highway 80 since the new four lane Highway 80 passes directly behind the property to the South.

The structure is basically a square block with a side (east) wing; the wing is original to the house. The central block features a moderately pitched hip roof with two interior chimneys while the wing has a side gable roof and an exterior chimney. A pedimented entrance portico is centrally located on the front facade and is supported by four simple boxed supports with classical caps. The single leaf entrance features a full multi-pane transom and sidelights set in a Greek Revival door surround. The windows throughout the structure are 6/6 double hung sash. The floorplan features a central hall with flanking double rooms. All doors and window surrounds throughout the interior feature Greek key or shoulder moldings and all mantles are Greek Revival in design. Closets are located in three rooms; these rooms are believed to have been originally used as bedrooms. It is believed that the side wing was originally used as a dining room and this room features a small closet or pantry; it is presently used as a kitchen. A porch runs across the rear of the side wing. The rear portico is believed to have originally matched the front but it has been enclosed. A modern bath addition has been built on the rear porch and a door has been cut in the rear wall of the house. The exterior of the house has been covered with aluminum siding and the interior in most rooms, has been covered with particle board. Also located on the property is a deteriorated shed and a frame garage.

The Kerby house retains much of its original design, materials, craftsmanship, workmanship and feeling and a high degree of its original components and stylistic detailing. While the structure has undergone minor alterations to accommodate modern conveniences, the Kirby house retains a high degree of architectural significance. The nomination includes 1 contributing and two non-contributing buildings.

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Hale County, Alabama

Criterion C: Architecture

The Kerby house, also known as the Randolph plantation, ca. 1850, is a small Greek Revival cottage, is a significant example of a Canebrake plantation house. While the house has been covered with siding and contains modern windows, the house is significant in that it retains its original form and detailing. The house yields information regarding the styles, form, construction methods, techniques and craftsmanship utilized by the residents of the Canebrake from 1830-1942. The house retains integrity in regard to design, materials, workmanship, feeling and setting. Too, the structure is particularly significant in that it is one of the few remaining plantation houses of a Canebrake planter whose primary residence was on another plantation.

Historical Summary

The lands of the present day Kerby plantation were originally part of the French Vine and Olive colony and were awarded by the United States government to Adolph Batre who in turn, conveyed the lands to J. A. Stollenwerck on February 7th, 1839. In November of that same year, Stollenwerck sold the lands to Robert Carter Randolph whose primary residence was on the Oakleigh plantation, three miles east of Greensboro. A member of the prominent Randolph family of Virginia, Robert Carter Randolph was the son of Brett and Lucy Beverly Randolph of Prince Edward County, Virginia and was married to Anne Tayloe Beverly, daughter of Carter and Jane Beverly of Blandfield. After the death of Robert Carter Randolph in 1852, Anne Tayloe Randolph and her five children inherited the property but in the petition for the division of the land and settlement of the estate of Robert Carter Randolph, Harriet B. Randolph Moore inherited the N 1/2 and SW 1/4 of Section 28, Township 18, Range 4 East, the property upon which the present house is located. Due to the style, appearance, and construction techniques of the main house located on this property, it is believed that the house was constructed ca. 1850 and served as the primary plantation dwelling for this particular Randolph plantation. The residence was perhaps occupied by the overseer of the property or served as the home of the Randolphs when they were in residence at this plantation. In 1866, Harriet and Rittenhouse Moore conveyed the property to John Collins, a local planter who had been, prior to the Civil War, the largest land and slaveowner in the Canebrake region. Upon the death of John Collins, the property passed to his nephew, George Collins who owned the property until 1911. The property today is owned by Mr. Jack O. Kerby of Thomasville. ¹

Archaeological Potential

Although no formal archaeological survey has been made at the Kerby house, the potential for subsurface remains may be high. Properties of this type were sited with a constellation of dependencies such as kitchens and other outbuildings. Buried portions may contain significant information that may be useful in interpreting the entire property.

¹Deed and Tract records for Marengo, Greene and Hale Counties including Tract Book page 292, and Deed Book G, pages 424 and 421 of Marengo County, Office of Probate, Marengo County, Linden, Alabama. Will Book C, page 361; Book P, Page 90 of the Probate Court of Greene County; Deed Book S, page 1183; Book X, Pages 115-117; Book Y, page 70 & 80 all in the Office of Probate, Greene County, Eutaw, Alabama; Deed Book V, page 693 located in the Office of Probate, Hale County, Alabama.

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Kerby house
Prairieville vicinity
Hale County, Alabama

Bibliography

Deed and tract books located in the Office of Probate for Marengo, Greene, and Hale County, Alabama.

Verbal Boundary Description

That tract of land comprising one acre immediately surrounding the main house of the property of Jack O. Kerby, lying in the north-half of Section 28, Township 18, Range 4 East. For exact boundaries please see tax maps.

Boundary Justification

The boundary lines were drawn to include the historic resources associated with the Kerby house.

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Photographs

Information in #1-5 is the same for all photographs. There has been no change to the property since a site visit on June 23, 1993.

1. Kerby house, also known as the Randolph Plantation
2. Prairieville vicinity, Hale County, Alabama
3. Jeff Mansell - photographer
4. Summer 1993
5. Negatives on file with the Alabama Historical Commission

Photograph #1, front facade, camera facing south

Photograph #2, northeast corner, camera facing southwest

Photograph #3, northwest corner, camera facing east

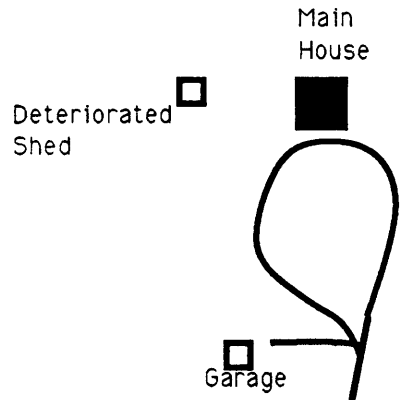
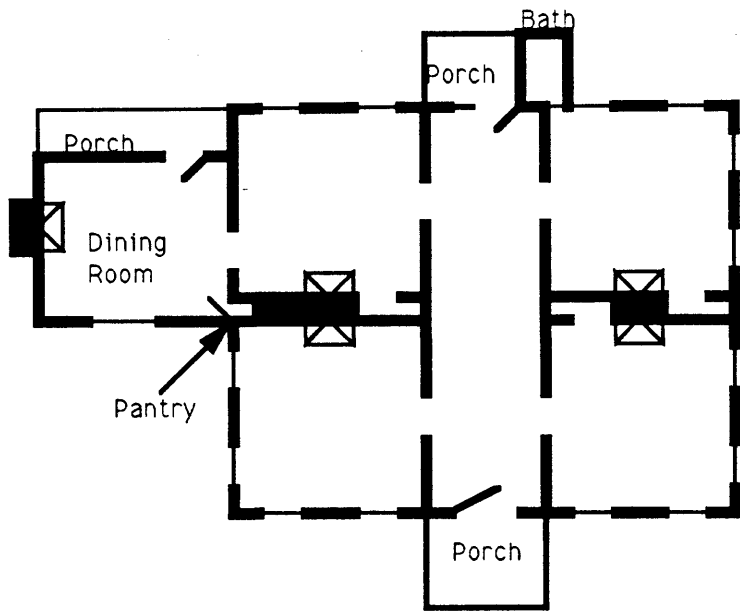
Photograph #4, rear elevation, camera facing north

Photograph #5, detail of interior door surround, camera facing west

Photograph #6, detail of front door and surround, camera facing south

Photograph #7, detail of interior door and surround, camera facing east

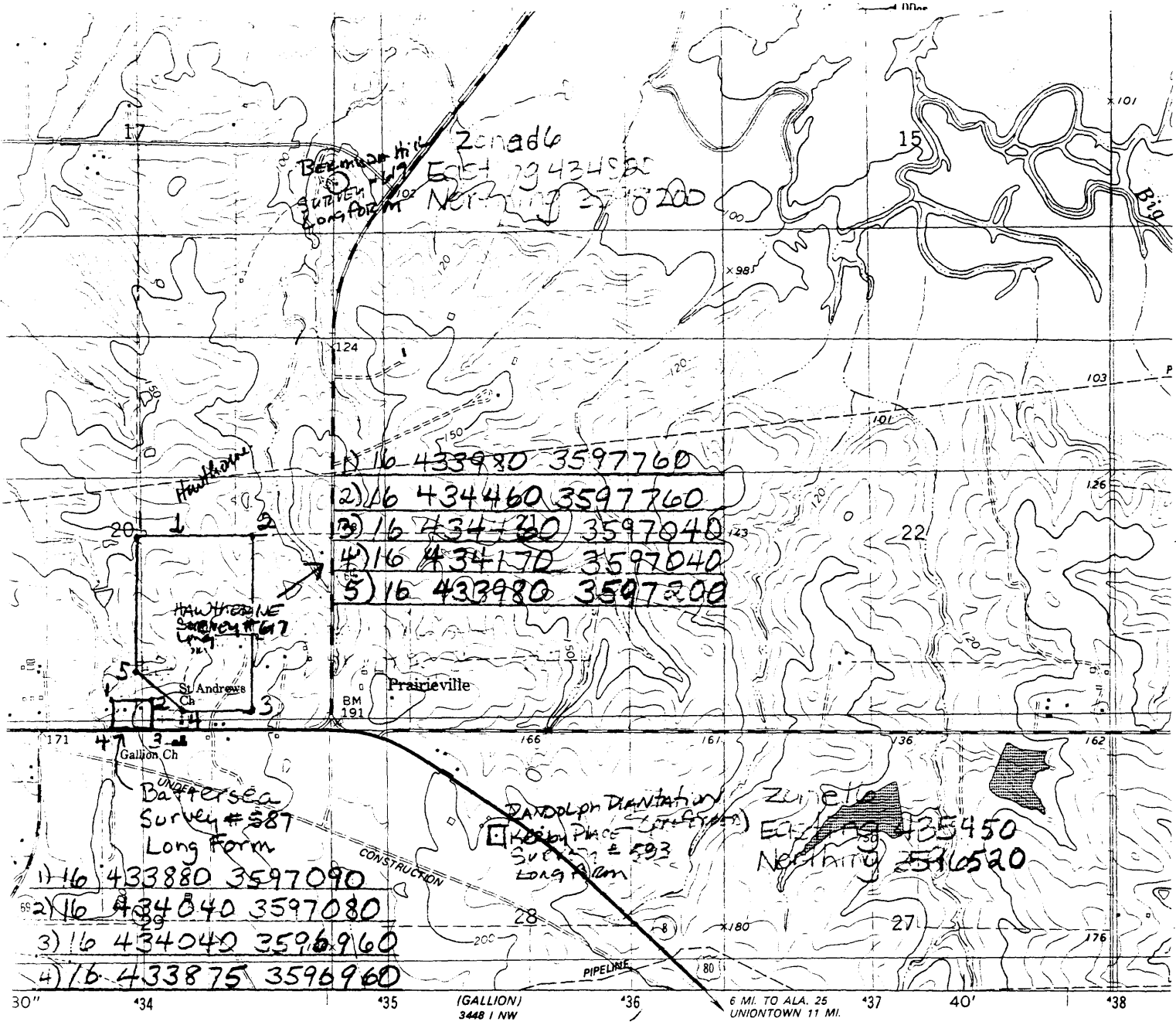
Photograph #8, copy of old photograph showing house ca. 1900



Old U. S. Highway 80/County Road 8

To Prairieville - 1.5 miles →

Site and Floorplan of
 the Randolph Plantation/Kerby House
 ca. 1850
 Prairieville vicinity,
 Hale County, Alabama



Bermuda Hill
 Zone 66
 East 2343480
 North 2778200

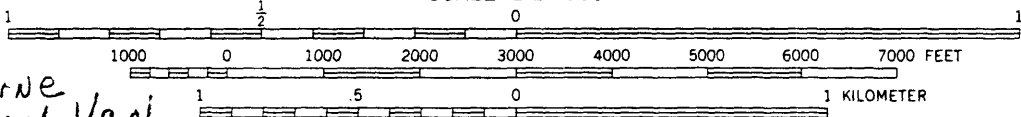
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Zuneta
 East 235450
 North 2510520

30" '34 (GALLION) 3448 1 NW '35 '36 6 MI. TO ALA. 25 '37 40' '38 UNIONTOWN 11 MI.

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Awthorne
 Gallion Ven.
 Hale Co., AL

Battersea
 Gallion Ven.
 Hale Co., AL

Dandolph Plantation/Kerby House
 Prairieville Ven.
 Hale Co., AL

Bermuda Hill
 Prairieville Ven.
 Hale Co., AL



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 Revisions shown in purple and wood State of Alabama agencies from aeri and other sources. This informati Map edited 1986

See property "Battersea" for original map.