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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Property

historic name: Caraway Hall - Arkansas Tech University

other name/site number: PP0054

2. Location

street & number: North Arkansas Street

not for publication: N/A

city/town: Russellville

vicinity: N/A

state: AR county: Pope code: AR 115 zip code: 72801

3. Classification

Ownership of Property: Public-state

Category of Property: Building

Number of Resources within Property:

Contributing	Noncontributing
<u>1</u>	<u>      </u> buildings
<u>      </u>	<u>      </u> sites
<u>      </u>	<u>      </u> structures
<u>      </u>	<u>      </u> objects
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> Total

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

Name of related multiple property listing: Public Schools in the Arkansas Ozarks, 1920-1940

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#### 4. State/Federal Agency Certification

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As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X 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 X meets \_\_\_\_\_ does not meet the National Register Criteria. \_\_\_\_\_ See continuation sheet

Cathryn A. Byrd  
Signature of certifying official

8-2-92  
Date

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program  
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property \_\_\_\_\_ meets \_\_\_\_\_ does not meet the National Register criteria. \_\_\_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of commenting or other official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
State or Federal agency and bureau

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#### 5. National Park Service Certification

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I, hereby certify that this 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

☐ other (explain): \_\_\_\_\_

Entered in the  
National Register

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9/10/92

fa Signature of Keeper

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date  
of Action

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#### 6. Function or Use

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Historic: EDUCATION

Sub: Education-related

Current: EDUCATION

Sub: Education-related

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## 7. Description

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Architectural Classification:

Colonial Revival

\_\_\_\_\_

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Other Description: N/A

Materials: foundation Concrete roof Ceramic tile  
walls Brick other \_\_\_\_\_

Describe present and historic physical appearance. X See continuation sheet.

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## 8. Statement of Significance

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Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: Locally.

Applicable National Register Criteria: A, C

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions): N/A

Areas of Significance: EDUCATION  
SOCIAL HISTORY  
ARCHITECTURE  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Period(s) of Significance: 1934-1940 \_\_\_\_\_

Significant Dates: 1934 \_\_\_\_\_

Significant Person(s): N/A  
\_\_\_\_\_

Cultural Affiliation: N/A

Architect/Builder: McAninch, A. N./Federal Emergency Administration/  
Leveck, J. H. and Sons  
\_\_\_\_\_

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.  
X See continuation sheet.

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### Summary

Caraway Hall at Arkansas Tech University is a three story, brick masonry dormitory structure designed in a relatively elaborate Colonial Revival. The central, gable roof section with its semi-circular, columned portico is augmented to either side by long perpendicular, single story sections that combine to form an irregular "H", as the single story section to the east is longer on the northern elevation. A central, single story, hipped roof entrance porch is placed in the center of the facade on the northern elevation. The ceramic tile roof covers the brick walls and the continuous cast concrete foundation.

### Elaboration

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The southern or front elevation is composed of the central, two-story, semi-circular entrance portico, the four window bays to either side of the entrance, and the three window bays in the ends of the perpendicular end sections. The wood, flat-roof portico is supported upon six Doric wood columns that rest upon a concrete deck. The semi-circular flat roof is surmounted by a metal balustrade. The pedimented, double-leaf entrance behind is set into a pedimented, Classical frame surmounted by an eight-pane transom. A pair of six-over-six wood sash windows are placed in the wall directly above the entrance but below the portico ceiling, and another pair of identical windows are placed above the portico. The first floor windows to either side of the entrance bay are all filled with nine-over-nine wood sash windows; the windows in the second and third floors above are filled with six-over-six wood sash. The three symmetrically-placed doghouse window dormers above are lighted with arched openings filled with Colonial window frames. The projecting end bays to either side are three bays in length on both floors. The bay to the east contains all single six-over-six wood sash windows, while the bay to the west contains all single windows on the second floor, and two single windows to the west and center on the first floor, with a pair of windows to the east. The northern elevation opposite is fundamentally

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identical, though the grand central entrance bay has been replaced here with a single window bay on each of the upper two floors, and a simpler double-leaf entrance on the main floor. The inside wall of the eastern projecting end section contains three windows, while that of the western projecting end section contains two windows.

The eastern and western elevations are dissimilar due to the greater length of the eastern perpendicular end section. It is six window bays in length. The western section contains four window bays and a covered, single-leaf entrance. The raised, stepped parapet of the three-story section behind is lighted with a pair of Colonial quarter-circle windows below the interior chimney.

Caraway Hall has remained substantially intact since its construction and has suffered few alterations of any note. It is in very good condition.



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## Caraway Hall; Arkansas Tech University

Arkansas Tech University was founded in 1909 when the Arkansas General Assembly created four Agricultural School Districts, with the Second District being formed by the twenty counties of northwest Arkansas. The city of Russellville offered the governor-appointed Board of Trustees four-hundred acres adjoining the city limits and a cash bonus of several thousand dollars, and was thus selected as the site of the new school.

The Second District Agricultural School -- as it was initially known -- first matriculated students in the fall of 1910. The school was planned to function initially as an agricultural secondary school and to grow into a four-year college-level institution as soon as possible. It first offered a freshman year of college work in 1921-22, and instituted second, third and fourth years in each of the succeeding academic years, respectively, so that by 1925 both a four-year high school and a four-year college were operating on the same campus. This progress was acknowledged by the Arkansas General Assembly in 1925 when it changed the name of the school to Arkansas Polytechnic College and awarded it the power to grant degrees. However, this ambitious program proved beyond the resources of the school, and by 1927 it became a two-year junior college. It remained so until 1948, when the Board of Trustees re-instituted its degree-granting status with a plan to return to a four-year school. The General Assembly officially changed the name to Arkansas Tech University in 1976.

The 1930's heralded one of the most ambitious periods of construction on the campus. As was the case with many public sites and institutions around the state, the labor force was largely contributed by the Emergency Relief Administration (ERA), the federal agency established by President Franklin D. Roosevelt to hire the nation's unemployed for the purpose of carrying out a broad variety of projects in the public interest. The Works Progress Administration (WPA), the National Youth Administration (NYA) and the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) were all subsidiary organizations whose work in Arkansas was overseen by the ERA.

Caraway Hall was constructed in 1934 under the auspices of the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works according to the designs of Little Rock architect A.N. McAninch; the general contractor was J. H. Leveck and Sons. As such, it was built during the period covered by the historic context *The Evolution of the Public School System in the Arkansas Ozarks, 1920-1940*. It stands as an outstanding example of a large brick masonry dormitory building with an irregular "H"-shaped plan designed in the Colonial Revival style (e.g., the absolutely symmetrical composition of the front facade and the semi-circular, columned Classical central entrance portico -- including its four Doric columns -- that dominates the composition).

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Its use during this period as a dormitory building for a public university clearly identifies it with this historic context and with this property type. It is significant locally under Criterion A through its direct associations with both the history of the evolution of the public school system in the Ozark Mountain region of the state during this period and the Federal Emergency Administration. It is also eligible under Criterion C as the best example locally of this application of the Colonial Revival style to this particular floor plan.

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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See "Public Schools in the Arkansas Ozarks, 1920-1940" Multiple Property Form, Section H.

\_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- \_ 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:

- X State historic preservation office
- \_ Other state agency
- \_ Federal agency
- \_ Local government
- \_ University
- \_ Other -- Specify Repository: \_\_\_\_\_

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## 10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of Property: Approximately 1.4

UTM References: Zone Easting Northing      Zone Easting Northing

A	<u>15</u>	<u>487835</u>	<u>3905280</u>	B	___	___	___
C	___	___	___	D	___	___	___

\_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description: \_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of a line running along the western edge of North Arkansas Street with a perpendicular line running parallel to the building's southern elevation and located approximately 50 feet to the south thereof, proceed westerly along the latter line for a distance of approximately 300 feet to its intersection with a perpendicular line running parallel to the building's western elevation; thence proceed northerly along said line for a distance of approximately 200 feet to its intersection with a perpendicular line running parallel with the building's northern elevation; thence proceed easterly along said line for a distance of approximately 300 feet to its intersection with a perpendicular line running along the western edge of North Arkansas Street; thence proceed southerly along said line for a distance of approximately 200 feet to the point of beginning.

Boundary Justification: \_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

This boundary includes both the historic resource and all the surrounding property known to have been historically associated therewith that retains its integrity.



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**11. Form Prepared By**

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Organization: Arkansas Historic Preservation Program Date: July 16, 1992

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City or Town: Little Rock State: AR ZIP: 72201

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Public Schools in the Ozarks MPS  
ARKANSAS

Date Listed

COVER	Substantive Review	Date Listed
92001115	Aggie Hall	9/4/92
92001113	Aggie Workshop	9/4/92
92001098	Agriculture Building--University of Arkansas, Fayetteville	9/4/92
92001125	Alco School	9/4/92
92001203	Bergman High School	9/10/92
92001214	Berryville Agriculture Building	9/10/92
92001215	Berryville Gymnasium	9/10/92
92001178	Boswell School Substantive Review	9/4/92
92001112	Bruno School Building	9/4/92
92001128	Buford School Building Substantive Review	9/4/92
92001099	Business Administration Building--University of Arkansas, Fayetteville	9/4/92
92001194	Cafeteria Building--Cleveland School	9/10/92
92001200	Calico Rock Home Economics Building	9/10/92
92001213	Caraway Hall--Arkansas Tech University	9/10/92
92001217	Cedarville School Building	9/10/92
92001206	Center Valley Well House	9/10/92
92001100	Chemistry Building--University of Arkansas, Fayetteville	9/4/92
92001101	Chi Omega Greek Theatre--University of Arkansas, Fayetteville	9/4/92
92001202	Clarksville High School Building No. 1	9/10/92
92001123	Coal Gap School	9/4/92
92001122	Damascus Gymnasium	9/4/92
92001118	Dodson Memorial Building	9/4/92
92001121	Durham School	9/4/92
92001192	Enterprise School	9/10/92
92001110	Eros School Building	9/4/92
92001205	Everton School	9/10/92
92001116	Fairview School Building	9/4/92
92001120	Fishback School	9/4/92
92001212	Girls' Domestic Science and Arts Building--Arkansas Tech University Substantive Review	9/4/92
92001196	Guy High School Gymnasium	9/10/92
92001197	Guy Home Economics Building	9/10/92
92001114	Hirst--Mathew Hall	9/4/92
92001102	Home Economics Building--University of Arkansas, Fayetteville	9/4/92
92001210	Hughes Hall--Arkansas Tech University Substantive Review	9/4/92
92001106	Jamestown School	9/4/92

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Caraway Hall--Arkansas Tech University

MULTIPLE NAME: Public Schools in the Ozarks MPS

STATE & COUNTY: ARKANSAS, Pope

DATE RECEIVED: 8/07/92 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 8/21/92  
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 9/06/92 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 9/21/92  
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 92001213

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N  
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N  
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT 9/10/92 DATE

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National Register

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA \_\_\_\_\_  
REVIEWER \_\_\_\_\_  
DISCIPLINE \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

\_\_\_count \_\_\_resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

\_\_\_historic \_\_\_current

DESCRIPTION

\_\_\_architectural classification  
\_\_\_materials  
\_\_\_descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect  
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

\_\_\_summary paragraph  
\_\_\_completeness  
\_\_\_clarity  
\_\_\_applicable criteria  
\_\_\_justification of areas checked  
\_\_\_relating significance to the resource  
\_\_\_context  
\_\_\_relationship of integrity to significance  
\_\_\_justification of exception  
\_\_\_other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

\_\_\_acreage \_\_\_verbal boundary description  
\_\_\_UTMs \_\_\_boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

\_\_\_sketch maps \_\_\_USGS maps \_\_\_photographs \_\_\_presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

Phone

Signed Date







CLARAWAY HALL; ATU  
BUSSELLVILLE, POPE CO., ARKANSAS  
PHOTOGRAPHED BY H. STORY  
JANUARY, 1990  
NEGATIVE ON FILE AT AHPP  
VIEW FROM NORTHWEST



CARAWAY HALL; ATU  
RUSSELLVILLE, POPE CO., ARKANSAS  
PHOTOGRAPHED BY K. STORY  
JANUARY, 1990  
NEGATIVE ON FILE AT AHPP  
VIEW FROM SOUTH

Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64500028