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HISTORIC RESOURCES OF STONE COUNTY  
STONE COUNTY, ARKANSAS

ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM

Survey Number ST-149

Owner Mr. Harmon Avey

Property Name John Avey Barn

Address Newnata, AR 72657

Location Big Springs OFF AR 66

Significant Date/s 1906

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

Located at Big Springs in western Stone County, the 1906 John Avey Barn represents a bank barn plan not found elsewhere in the county. The two split levels of the barn, constructed with two types of building materials, rest on a continuous stone foundation and is covered by a gambrel roof.

The principal (south) facade reflects the two functional areas of the barn. The ground level of the barn is made of stack stone walls built out from a bank on the north end of the structure. Lattice wall facing situated on either side of the driveway identifies the ground floor facade. The driveway in the barn is flanked by animal stables.

The second level or loft area is frame constructed and covered with board and batten. The front elevation of this level has a segmental-shaped opening to the loft. Its rear (north) elevation rests on the bank and provides wagon access into the loft. An attached hip roof, supported by log posts, shelters the entrance. The solid board and batten mass that is formed by the roof's gambrel configuration identifies additional storage space above the loft.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The John Avey Barn represents the only bank barn documented in Stone County. The bank barn plan is unique in the county. Built in 1906, the builder combined stone and lumber to construct this picturesque barn.

Verbal Boundary Description: The nominated property, located within the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of S33, R12W, T15N, is bounded on the north, south, east and west by lines running parallel to and 100' from the four major facades of the barn.

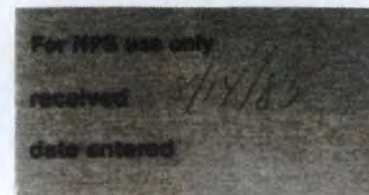
Acreage: less than 1  
Quadrangle Name: Onia

Quadrangle Scale: 1:24000

UTM Reference:  
Zone: 15

Easting: 566100

Northing: 3972790

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic GroupName Stone County MRA  
State ARKANSAS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

11. Gray, Walter, House

Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

Melvyn Byers 9/17/85

Attest

12. Lancaster, Fred, Barn

Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

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13. Dillard, William, Homestead

Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

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14. Jeffery, Miles, Barn

Entered in the  
National Register

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15. Abernathy, Jessie, House

Entered in the  
National Register

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16. Anderson, Clarence, Barn

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17. Anderson, George, House

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18. Avey, John, Barn

Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

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19. Brewer, A. B., Building

Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

Melvyn Byers 10/25/85

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20. Bettis, John, House

Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

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Ref II  
85002219

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Avey, John, Barn (Stone County MRA)  
Stone County  
ARKANSAS

Working No. AUG 14 1985

Fed. Reg. Date: 2-4-82

Date Due: 9/12/85 9/28/85

Action: ACCEPT 9-17-85

Entered in the  
National Register

RETURN

REJECT

Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ resubmission  
☐ nomination by person or local government  
☐ owner objection  
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_

Discipline \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: \_\_\_\_\_ technical corrections cited below  
\_\_\_\_\_ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition

- ☐ excellent  
☐ good  
☐ fair

- ☐ deteriorated  
☐ ruins  
☐ unexposed

Check one

- ☐ unaltered  
☐ altered

Check one

- ☐ original site  
☐ moved date \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph  
☐ completeness  
☐ clarity  
☐ alterations/integrity  
☐ dates  
☐ boundary selection

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## 8. 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

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

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## 11. Form Prepared By

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## 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_ national      \_\_\_\_ state      \_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title

date

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## 13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



## RESOURCE PHOTOGRAPH SHEET

ARKANSAS  
HISTORIC  
PRESERVATION  
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Historic Resources of Stone County

John Avey Barn, ST-149

Big Springs

Don Brown, photographer

1983

Negative on file at the AHPP

Viewed from the northwest





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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000031