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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC *nh* Crow House



AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

7 miles southeast of Star City

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Star City

VICINITY OF

Fourth

STATE

CODE

COUNTY

CODE

Arkansas

05

Lincoln

079

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

**CATEGORY**

**OWNERSHIP**

**STATUS**

**PRESENT USE**

DISTRICT

PUBLIC

OCCUPIED

AGRICULTURE

MUSEUM

BUILDING(S)

PRIVATE

UNOCCUPIED

COMMERCIAL

PARK

STRUCTURE

BOTH

WORK IN PROGRESS

EDUCATIONAL

PRIVATE RESIDENCE

SITE

**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**

**ACCESSIBLE**

ENTERTAINMENT

RELIGIOUS

OBJECT

IN PROCESS

YES: RESTRICTED

GOVERNMENT

SCIENTIFIC

BEING CONSIDERED

YES: UNRESTRICTED

INDUSTRIAL

TRANSPORTATION

NO

MILITARY

OTHER: none

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Crow

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Star City

VICINITY OF

STATE

Arkansas

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

## CONDITION

EXCELLENT       DETERIORATED  
 GOOD             RUINS  
 FAIR              UNEXPOSED

## CHECK ONE

UNALTERED  
 ALTERED

## CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE  
 MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Crow House, located just outside Star City, was built c. 1874 by J. B. Crow. Originally a two-room dog-trot, the house now has an ell-shaped addition onto the west (rear) elevation. The house is covered with clapboard. A touch of refinement was attempted by the addition of sidelites onto the dog-trot opening and the classically-inspired half-returns on the gables.

The facade of the building, which faces east, is symmetrical. The open breezeway is centralized with one window on each side. The window on the left (southeast) is an old window, but is not one of the originals. It is a four-pane, double-hung sash window. The other window on the facade, just recently replaced, is a nine-pane, double-hung sash, similar to the original ones. The two windows on the south end of the main section are the only original windows left in the house. They are nine-pane, double-hung sash windows with wooden nails.

The small veranda which covers the doorway, but not the windows, is not original. The original porch probably extended the length of the facade and the roof formed a shed-top covering over it.

Corrugated tin covers the gabled roof. An outside, end brick chimney on the north elevation rises above the roofline. Corbelling on the chimney still remains. An identical chimney once stood on the south elevation, but it has been removed. Two additional chimneys, both corbelled are located on the ell.

The ell, added before 1900, has two large rooms. A wide veranda with extended gable roofs runs the length of the south side of the addition. The south elevation has two paneled doors, and the north elevation of the ell has two windows, one very old and one recently replaced.

An addition which was added to the south side of the ell has since been removed. A door cut from the original north room of the dog-trot into the now-removed section has been boarded-up.

The interior of the Crow House is simple, and it has not been modernized. The walls of most of the rooms are exposed wood, and the floors are thick boards, which were hand-fitted. The north room of the original dog-trot has been sheetrocked and painted. New windows have been put in to replace ones which were gone. Although not original, the new ones have frames similar to the originals. The fireplace mantel has been painted to match the walls.

Generally the house appears to be in rundown condition. The clapboard previously was white, but it has not been painted since 1928, the year it became a rental house. The house, both exterior and interior, is structurally sound however. The owners, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Crow, are in the process of restoring the house.

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ITEM NUMBER 4

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Crow House, Star City, Lincoln County, Arkansas

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Crow  
Star City, Arkansas

Mrs. Arthur Hamilton  
Star City, Arkansas

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

## PERIOD AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1873

BUILDER/ARCHITECT R. C. Crow

### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Crow House, located approximately seven miles southeast of Star City, is one of the few remaining structures in Lincoln County which is representative of farm houses of the late nineteenth century. Though having a rundown appearance, the house is still structurally sound.

The house was built by R. C. Crow c. 1874. Mr. Crow farmed the surrounding land, as he and his family occupied the house. In 1928 the Crow family began renting the house out. For over forty years the house remained rented, but for the last five years it has been vacant.

Constructed c. 1874 of cypress, the building originally was a one-room-deep dog-trot with open breezeway. Gables and outside-end chimneys were featured on the side elevations. An attempt at refinement is reflected in the classical details, the half-returns on the gables, the symmetry, and the sidelites.

A symmetrical facade features the breezeway with windows on each side. A narrow veranda that covers only the dog-trot is supported by slender posts.

The original veranda covered the entire facade. The gabled roof is covered by tin. The house is on its original site and rests on concrete piers.

An ell-shaped wing to the west elevation has a gable-extension roof over the veranda and contains two rooms. Two inside chimneys protrude up through the medium-gabled roof which covers the ell.

The floor plan of the house is ell-shaped. The dog-trot section has one room on each side of the open breezeway. Each of these rooms originally had a fireplace, but the one to the south elevation has been removed, as has the chimney. The fireplace in the other room still remains. It has been painted to match the walls. None of the other walls are painted or papered. Floors are also exposed wood.

The Crow House stands as an example of a farmhouse of the latter part of the nineteenth century. Because Lincoln County was a rural county, farmhouses predominated during this period. Architecturally simple, the house has undergone several alterations, but it still retains its basic integrity.



Crow House

Lincoln CO.

Property

76000426

State

Ark

Working Number

3.31.762897

**TECHNICAL**

Photos 4  
Maps 1

*Hand UTM reference map  
UTM not available - see form*

**CONTROL**

*pl  
OK 5.24.76*

**HISTORIAN**

*Accept  
E. Smith  
6-3-76*

**ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN**

*Accept  
S Oldham  
6/14/76*

**ARCHEOLOGIST**

**OTHER**

**HAER**

Inventory \_\_\_\_\_  
Review \_\_\_\_\_

**REVIEW UNIT CHIEF**

*Accept  
Cole  
6-16-76*

**BRANCH CHIEF**

**KEEPER**

*Restriction in process  
Hunt  
6.23.76*

National Register Write-up \_\_\_\_\_

Send-back \_\_\_\_\_

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Federal Register Entry \_\_\_\_\_

8-3-76

Re-submit \_\_\_\_\_

INT:2106-74



CROW HOUSE, ~~West~~  
Star City, Lincoln County  
View of facade (east)

1976

#1

- 1) Crow House
- 2) Star City, Arkansas *Lincoln Co.*
- 3) Donna DuVall
- 4) 1976
- 5) Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
- 6) View of facade (east elevation)
- 7) 1 of 4

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Crow House, S Elev.  
STAR City EA  
Lincoln County  
View of N. Elevation  
1976  
#2

- 1) Crow House
- 2) Star City, Arkansas *Lincoln Co.*
- 3) Donna DuVall
- 4) 1976
- 5) Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
- 6) View of north elevation
- 7) 2 of 4

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East # 3

Crow House

STAR City

Lincoln County

View of west elevation

1976

- 1) Crow House
- 2) Star City, Arkansas *Lincoln Co.*
- 3) Donna DuVall
- 4) 1976
- 5) Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
- 6) View of west elevation
- 7) 3 of 4 **MAR 31 1976**

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~~NORTH~~ # 4

CROW HOUSE

Star City

Lincoln County

View of South elevation

1976

- 1) Crow House
- 2) Star City, Arkansas *Lincoln Co.*
- 3) Donna DuVall
- 4) 1976
- 5) Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
- 6) View of south elevation
- 7) 4 of 4

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HISTORIC

Crow House

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

CITY, TOWN

Star City

VICINITY OF

COUNTY

Lincoln

STATE

Arkansas

**3 MAP REFERENCE**

SOURCE Corps of Engineers

SCALE 1:62500

DATE 1935

**4 REQUIREMENTS**

TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. PROPERTY BOUNDARIES
2. NORTH ARROW
3. UTM REFERENCES



CROW HOUSE  
STAR CITY, ARKANSAS

WOODLAND TINT LIMITED TO AREA COVERED BY AIR PHOTOGRAPHS

A R

L I N

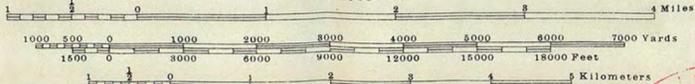
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1190000  
YARDS

1700 000 YARDS

Scale 62500



Contour interval 5 feet

Datum is mean gulf level at Biloxi, Mississippi. Elevations differ from mean sea level elevations as determined by the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, by small fractions of a foot. Persons interested may secure elevations of bench marks as determined by the latest U. S. C. & G. S. adjustment, by applying to the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

Additional copies may be procured from  
The President, Mississippi River Commission  
Vicksburg, Miss. 10 cents per copy

PRICE 20 CENTS PER COPY  
For quadrangle maps effective on and after  
1 November 1943

ARMY MAP SERVICE, CORPS OF ENGINEERS, DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY, 101019  
8-48 1935

LEGEND

- Levee
- Retards and dikes
- Revetment
- River Gage
- Levee mile post
- Levee station
- Towhead
- L M P
- L S
- T H

HARD IMPERVIOUSLY SURFACED ROADS  
OTHER MAIN TRAVELED ROADS, GRAVEL



FEENYVILLE, ARK.  
EDITION OF 1935

Prepared under the direction of the President, Mississippi River Commission.  
Horizontal control by Mississippi River Commission and Corps of Engineers,  
U. S. Army, Vicksburg District.  
Vertical control by Mississippi River Commission and Corps of Engineers,  
U. S. Army, Vicksburg District.  
Topography by Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, Vicksburg District, 1930-31.  
Area outside Alluvial Valley taken from aerial photographs and is not contoured.  
Revised by Mississippi River Commission, 1932-35.  
Political boundaries are shown according to best available information,  
and are subject to change except where established by court decision.  
Polyconic Projection, North American Datum.

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE    ARKANSAS

Date Entered    JUN 29 1976

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Calf Creek Site	Silver Hill vicinity Searcy County
Crow House	Star City vicinity Lincoln County

Also Notified

Hon. John L. McClellan  
Hon. Dale Bumpers  
Hon. John P. Hammerschmidt  
Hon. Ray Thornton  
Regional Director, Southwest  
Region

State Historic Preservation Officer  
Ms. Anne Bartley  
Acting Director  
Department of Natural and  
Cultural Heritage  
The Old State House  
300 West Markham  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

PR    MMott/row    7/7/76

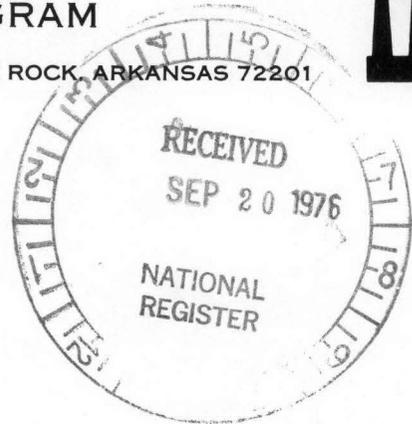


# ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM



FIRST STATE CAPITOL • 300 WEST MARKHAM • LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72201

September 15, 1976



Dr. William Murtagh  
Keeper of the National Register  
National Park Service  
Department of the Interior  
Washington, D. C. 20240

Re: Crow House, Star City  
Lincoln County, Arkansas

Dear Dr. Murtagh:

Enclosed is a continuation sheet for the Crow House in Star City, Arkansas, which reflects an addition to the ownership of the property. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Crow will remain listed as owners of the property.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Anne Bartley  
State Historic Preservation Officer

AB:cm

Enclosure

# NR Data Sheet

DATE: 6-3-76  
Reviewer INITIALS: EAJ  
NR DOE  
JUN 29 1976

NAME AS IT APPEARS IN FEDERAL REGISTER: Crow House

OTHER NAMES:

LOCATION: 7 miles <sup>SE</sup> southeast of Star City

STREET & NUMBER  
CITY, TOWN: Star City vicinity  
STATE: Arkansas  
VICINITY OF  
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: 4th  
COUNTY: Lincoln code 079

OWNER OF PROPERTY: (Circle) PRIVATE STATE LOCAL GOV'T MUNICIPAL COUNTY OTHER

ADMINISTRATOR (underline)  
FEDERAL (AGENCY NAME):  
NPS REGION: (CIRCLE) N. ATLANTIC MID ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST MIDWEST  
SOUTHWEST ROCKY MOUNTAIN WEST PACIFIC NORTHWEST

FEATURES:  
INTERIOR:  Substantially intact-1  
           unknown - 4  
           not applicable - 7  
EXTERIOR:  Substantially intact-2  
           unknown - 5  
           not applicable - 8  
ENVIRONS:  Substantially intact-3  
           unknown - 6  
           Not applicable-9

CONDITION -  EXCELLENT  DETERIORATED  UNALTERED  ORIGINAL SITE  
                   GOOD  RUINS  ALTERED  MOVED  
                   FAIR  UNEXPOSED  Reconstructed  Unknown  
                                   Unexcavated  Excavated

ACCESS -  Yes-restricted  Yes-unrestricted  No access  Unknown

historic district? YES  NO   
WITHIN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT? YES  NO   
IF YES, NAME:  
WITHIN NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK? YES  NO   
IF YES, NAME:

ADAPTIVE USE: YES  NO  Saved? YES  NO

FUNCTION(S): (use vocabulary words)  
then- Home  
now- House

## SIGNIFICANCE:

- |  |                                       |   |  |   |
|--|---------------------------------------|---|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION | <input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION            | <input type="checkbox"/> entertainment  |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE - 34      | <input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING  | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY               | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION      | <input type="checkbox"/> settlement     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ART                               | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION  | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC                  | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)     | <input type="checkbox"/> socio/cultural |
| <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE                          | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY     | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY             |  | <input type="checkbox"/> urban & commun |
| <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS                    | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION    | <input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT    |  | <input type="checkbox"/> planning       |

Claims  
"first" YES NO "oldest" YES NO "only" YES NO

ARCHITECTURAL STYLE: Vernacular style (dog-trot house) with Greek Revival elements ~~added~~

architect/m.builder:

engineer:

landscape/garden designer:

artist/artisan:

interior decorator:

builder/contractor:

ETHNIC GROUP:

NAMES: personal

(label role & appropriate date)

events

institutional

DATES: DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (Specific date or 1/4 of century): 1873

DATE(S) OF "MAJOR" ALTERATIONS: all added before 1900

HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT DATE(S): 1873

SOURCE: (OF NOMINATION) PRIVATE STATE LOCAL GOV'T MUNICIPAL COUNTY

OTHER FEDERAL AGENCY:

ACREAGE: (to nearest tenth of an acre) .1-.9

dogtrot  
↓

COMMENTS: (include architectural information here)

1 story frame ~~rectangular~~ <sup>L-shaped</sup> building with gabled roof and exterior end chimney. One story ell with central chimney is attached to the rear.

Frame, clapboarding; 1 story, L shaped, gabled roof, exterior end chimney; front center entrance with transom, side lights, and small porch; rear ell added before 1900. Interesting

SIGNIFICANCE: (maximum two sentences) vernacular dog-trot dwelling with Greek Revival elements.

The Crow House <sup>Example of a farmhouse</sup> is significant as one of the few remaining structures in Lincoln County which is representative of farm houses of the late 19th century.