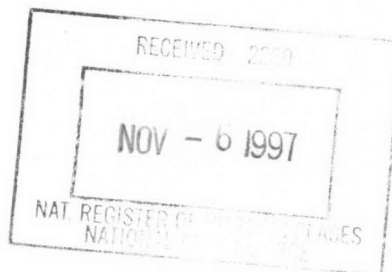


United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
REGISTRATION FORM



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1. Name of Property

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Historic Name: Mayo House

Other Name/Site Number: PH 0287

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2. Location

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Street & Number: 302 Elm Street

Not for Publication: N/A

City/Town: Marvell

Vicinity: N/A

State: AR County: Phillips Code: AR107 Zip Code: 72366

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3. Classification

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Ownership of Property: Private

Category of Property: Building

Number of Resources within Property:

Contributing	Non-contributing
<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>          </u> Total

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

Name of related multiple property listing: N/A

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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. Slater  
Signature of certifying official

10-21-97  
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.

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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): \_\_\_\_\_

Carl R. Fungler

12/19/97

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Keeper

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

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## 6. Function or Use

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Historic: DOMESTIC Sub: Single Dwelling  
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Current : DOMESTIC Sub: Single Dwelling  
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## 7. Description

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Architectural Classification:

Colonial Revival/Craftsman  
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Materials: foundation brick roof asphalt  
walls wood other metal  
\_\_\_\_\_

Describe present and historic physical appearance:

### Summary

Located at 302 Elm Street, approximately two blocks north of Main Street in Marvell, the Mayo House was constructed between 1917 and 1919 in the Colonial Revival style. The residence also includes stylistic elements which may be attributed to the Craftsman style of architecture.

### Elaboration

The Mayo House is a one-and-one-half story frame residence designed in the Colonial Revival style. The house rests on a brick foundation, has a hipped roof, and a basement on the western end. The house contains approximately 4,000 square feet of living space and is clad in wood novelty siding. Two interior brick chimneys were located on the roof ridge of the central portion of the house; one still exists today.

The eastern, or front, elevation is dominated by a one-story porch which spans the full width of the building and wraps around the northern end of the house. The porch is supported by seven pairs of fluted metal Doric columns with attic bases on brick piers on the east and north elevations. A single-leaf entry is located at the center of the front elevation under the porch.

The door is built of oak, is Craftsman in style and contains nine panes of beveled glass. The sidelights are similar in configuration, and the unit has a transom window above. A pair of original six-over-one double-hung windows is located on either side of the entrance. Other significant features on this elevation include a large dormer above the porch which contains four double-hung replacement windows similar in style to those which were there originally.

The rear, or western, elevation contains a recently enclosed porch with six new six-over-six double-hung windows and a single-leaf French door at the center. An enclosed addition off of the kitchen to the south contains another single-leaf entry flanked by two new small windows. A large dormer, similar to the one seen on the front of the house is located on this elevation. Although changes have been made to this elevation, the basic form of the structure is essentially the same and the novelty siding matches that seen elsewhere on the house.

The southern elevation contains a gable projection at the center with three original double-hung six-over-one windows on the first level, and three six-over-three windows in the gable that have been replaced due to deterioration of the original. A single, original eight-over-one window is located on the main living level to the east of this gable projection, and two other double-hung windows are located to the west. These windows are smaller six-over-three double-hung and another eight-over-one double-hung.

The northern elevation is dominated by a gable projection which is fenestrated by a grouping of three six-over-six double-hung windows on the lower level with no windows in the gable above. The area under the porch which extends to the east of this gable contained two doors at one time, at least one of which was probably used for access to Dr. Norton's office. Both of the doors were removed at some point, and the areas infilled with novelty siding. The house had a slate roof originally, but according Dr. Norton's son, Earl F. Norton, the roof had to be replaced because the Norton boys climbed out of the upstairs windows so much that they ruined the roof. The house is currently roofed with composition shingle.

The interior contains many original features such as the fireplace mantle, pocket doors, original hardwood floors in four rooms, door transoms and a plate rack. The addition of an enclosed sun porch and the enlargement of the kitchen area are the most significant changes on the interior. The stairs to the upper level were enclosed at one time, and the current owners moved the location slightly and built a new stairway. The current owners have acquired dining room furniture which was bought for the house by the Mayo's or the Godsey's.

This is the only house of its type in Marvell.

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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: local.

Applicable National Register Criteria: C

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions): N/A

Areas of Significance: Architecture

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Period(s) of Significance: 1917-1919

Significant Dates: 1917-1919

Significant Person(s): N/A

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Cultural Affiliation: N/A

Architect/Builder: Builder-James Madison Craig

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State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above:

**Summary**

The Mayo House is being nominated under Criterion C with local significance. The dwelling is significant as a fine and rather unusual example of the Colonial Revival style of architecture in this area.

**Historical Background**

The lot that the Mayo House occupies was originally part of a land grant to John R. Sanford in 1835. By 1869 the land belonged to Marvell M. Carruth for whom the town of Marvell was named. His wife, Rachel, was the sister of the current owner's (Becky Hall) grandmother's mother, Eliza A. Jefferies McKinney. The land was sold to W. E. Hutchinson in 1911 and to H. B. Mayo in 1917 who developed the area. The house sits on a lot which is designated Lot

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#1 of the H. B. Mayo Subdivision. The Mayo family occupied the house until it was sold to Sanford F. Godsey in July of 1920. Dr. and Mrs. E. F. Norton bought the house sometime before 1923.

Dr. Norton practiced medicine in Marvell from 1920 until his death in 1950. A prominent and beloved physician, he often made house calls and kept his office in the front bedroom of the house. It was during the Norton's residence that the upstairs attic was converted into three bedrooms for the five Norton boys. The contractor for this job was James Madison Craig, who was a Justice of the Peace and the grandfather of the current owner, Clark Hall. The current owners, Clark and Becky Hall, bought the house in 1974, and Clark Hall was recently elected Mayor of Marvell.

### **Architectural Significance**

The Mayo House reflects an unusual variation of the common Colonial Revival-style house through the incorporation of several Craftsman-style features. The column-on-pier configuration of the front porch is representative of the Craftsman-style of architecture; however, the wrap-around porch of the Mayo House is effectively Colonial-ized by the utilization of paired metal Doric columns with attic bases resting on the brick piers. In contrast, the classical front entrance composed of a single-leaf door flanked by sidelights and transom is given a more Arts and Crafts appearance through the use of dark wood, geometrical-shaped, muntins. Through these and other such subtle design features, the Mayo House stands as the best extant representative of the Colonial Revival style and the only example of its particular type in the small town of Marvell. Consequently, it is being nominated under Criterion C with local significance.

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### **9. Major Bibliographical References**

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Information, including deed abstracts, tax records, and oral interviews, supplied by Mrs. Gerald Glass, October 21, 1996.

Interview with Earl F. Norton, son of former owner Dr. E. F. Norton, October 8, 1996

Interview with Rose Craig White, daughter of building contractor, James Madison Craig, October 9, 1996.

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

\_ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.



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- ☐ 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 -- Specify Repository: \_\_\_\_\_

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### 10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of Property: less than one

UTM References: Zone Easting Northing      Zone Easting Northing

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C    \_\_\_\_\_                      D    \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal Boundary Description:

Lot #1 of the H. B. Mayo Subdivision of Marvell, Arkansas (no block numbers in this subdivision)

Boundary Justification:

This boundary includes all of the property historically associated with this resource that retains its integrity.

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**11. Form Prepared By**  
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Name/Title: Helen Barry/ Special Projects Historian

Organization: Arkansas Historic Preservation Program Date: 7-16-97

Street & Number: 1500 Tower Bldg., 323 Center St. Telephone: (501) 324-9880

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



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Mayo House

MULTIPLE  
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: ARKANSAS, Phillips

DATE RECEIVED: 11/06/97 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 11/18/97  
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 12/04/97 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 12/21/97  
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 97001513

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: Y NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

\_\_\_ACCEPT \_\_\_RETURN \_\_\_REJECT \_\_\_\_\_DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

The Mayo House is significant under National Register Criterion C in the area of architecture. Built between 1917 and 1919, the one-and-one-half-story wood frame house is a fine local example of Colonial Revival-style residential design in the small eastern Arkansas community of Marvell.

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept Criterion C

REVIEWER Paul Lusignan

DISCIPLINE HISTORIAN

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE 12/19/97

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







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January 1997  
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View from the northeast





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View from the south



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View of living room from the northeast





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View from the east





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View of front porch  
and dormer from the  
east





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View of pocket doors







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View of the rear from the  
west.





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View from the north



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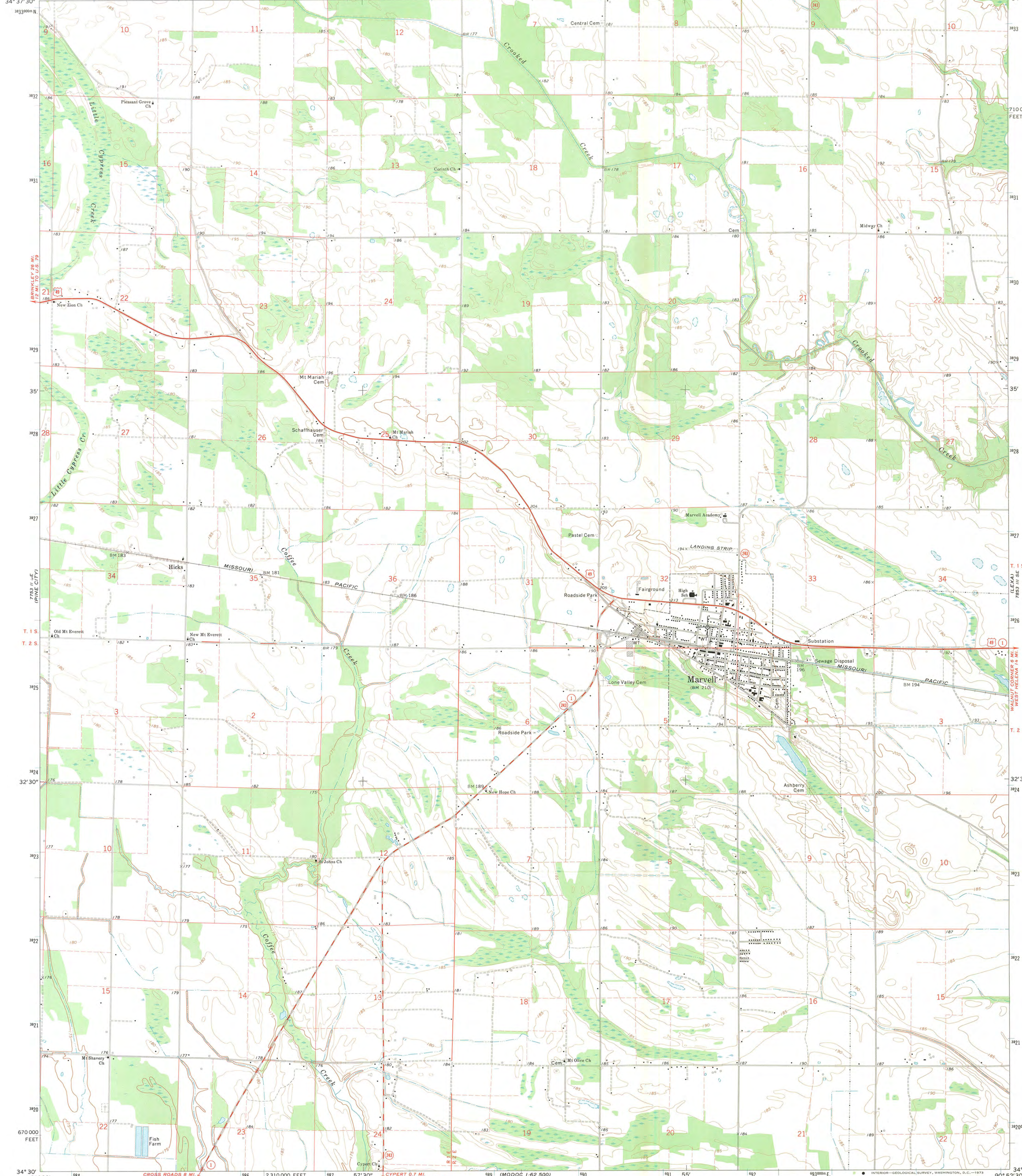
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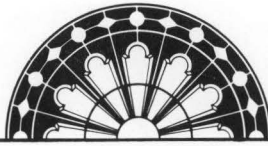
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View of newel post and staircase









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October 21, 1997

Carol D. Shull  
Chief of Registration  
United State Department of the Interior  
National Register of Historic Places  
National Park Service  
800 North Capitol Street, Suite 250  
Washington, D.C. 20002

RE: Mayo House  
Marvell, Phillips County

Dear Carol:

We are enclosing for your review the nomination of the above referenced property. The Arkansas Historic Preservation Program has complied with all applicable nominating procedures and notification requirements in the nomination process.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Cathy Buford Slater  
State Historic Preservation Officer

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Enclosures

