## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

## NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION
PROPERTY Goodlett Gin NAME:
MULTIPLE NAME:
STATE & COUNTY: ARKANSAS, Hempstead
DATE RECEIVED: 4/10/06 DATE OF PENDING LIST: DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 5/24/06 DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:
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ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:
The Goodlett Cotton Gin was moved from the vicinity of Ozan to the town of Washington, in Hempstead County, circa 1980, apparently before the interim regulations for the National Register of Historic Places program (36 CFR 60) became effective on November 16, 1981. Despite the change in location, the cotton gin has been determined to retain the features necessary to convey its significance and to be in an appropriate setting for a resource of this type. The additional documentation provides the information required under the provisions of Section 60.14. Thus, the Goodlett Cotton Gin remains listed in the National Register at its current location.
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DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.

Goodlett Cotton Gin	Hempstead County, Arkansas
Name of Property	County and State

United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

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#### ADDRESS OF THE PROPERTY:

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## CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE MOVE:

The Goodlett Cotton Gin was moved from the Ozan vicinity to Washington, Hempstead County, Arkansas, c.1980, and the move occurred prior to the regulations at 36 CFR § 60.14(b) became effective on November 16, 1981. Its current location in a small nineteenth-century town is likely a compatible setting for the gin. It is known that Washington did have a cotton gin, and the Goodlett Gin is located adjacent to the railroad line on the eastern edge of the community, which would have been a likely location for an industrial structure.

As a result, even though the Goodlett Cotton Gin has been moved, we believe that the current location is compatible and it is still able to convey its significance. We therefore recommend that the Goodlett Cotton Gin remain listed on the National Register.

## **CONFIRMATION OF RELOCATION:**

The move of the Goodlett Cotton Gin was confirmed on March 2, 2004, through a site visit by a consultant doing a survey of the Washington Historic District.

## APPROVAL OF THE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION BY THE STATE REVIEW BOARD:

The State Review Board approved the recommendation that the Goodlett Cotton Gin remain listed on the National Register of Historic Places on April 5, 2006.

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## ACREAGE OF THE NEW LOCATION:

The current location of the Goodlett Cotton Gin was occupies approximately one acre of land.

## VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION OF THE NEW LOCATION:

From the northwest corner of the Franklin Street and former Missouri Pacific Railroad line, proceed southwesterly along the north side of Franklin Street for 495 feet to the point of beginning. From the point of beginning, proceed southwesterly along the north side of Franklin Street for 225 feet, thence proceed northwesterly perpendicular to Franklin Street for 205 feet, thence proceed northeasterly parallel to Franklin Street for 225 feet, thence proceed southeasterly perpendicular to Franklin Street for 205 feet to the point of beginning.



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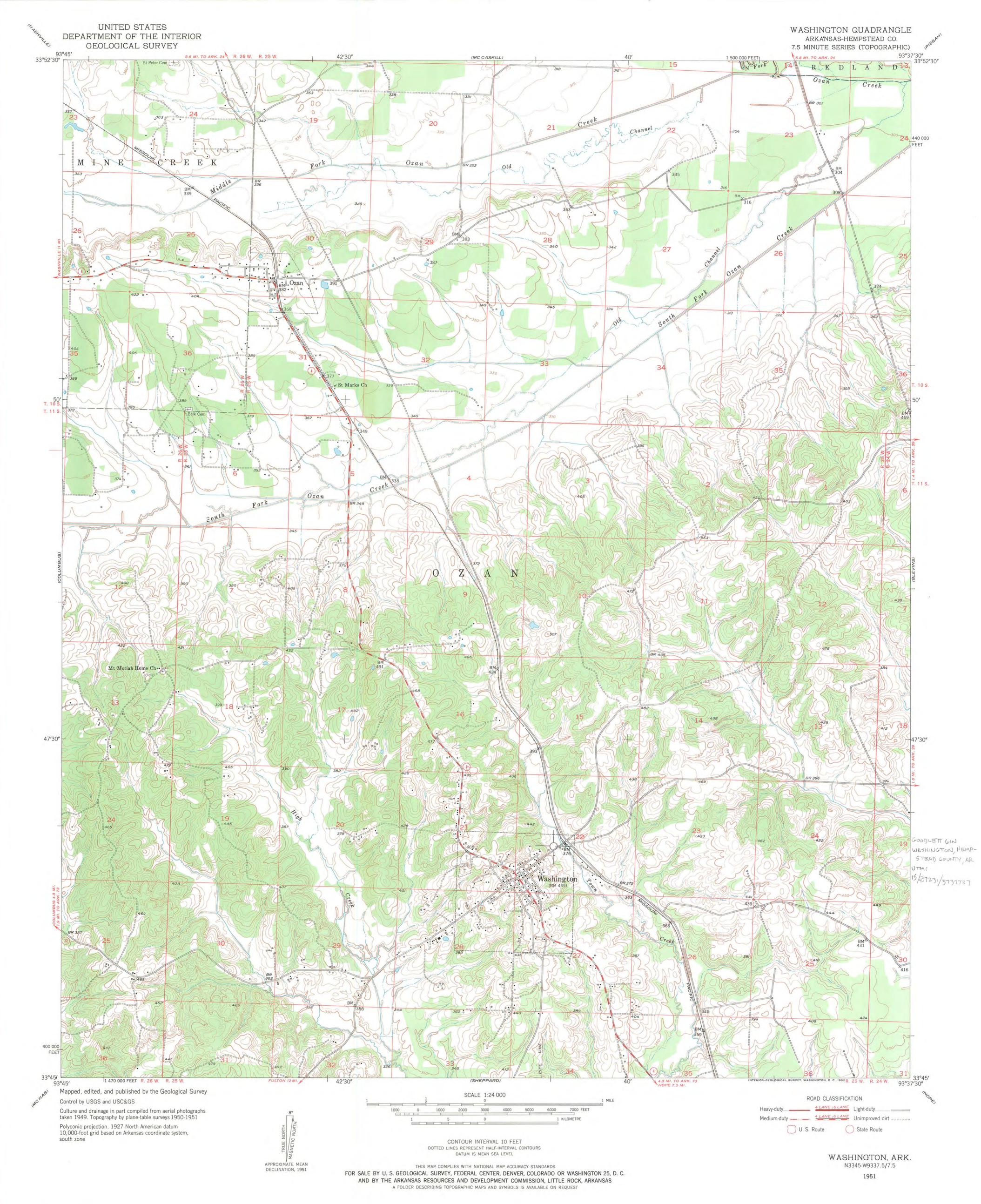
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August 2, 2006

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Dr. Janet Matthews Chief of Registration United States Department of the Interior

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Arkansas Arts Council

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Goodlett Cotton Gin - Ozan vic., Hempstead County, Arkansas

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Delta Cultural Center

Historic Arkansas Museum

Mosaic Templars Cultural Center

Old State House Museum

Dear Dr. Matthews:

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

If you need further information, please call Ralph S. Wilcox of my staff at (501) 324-9787. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



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Sincerely,

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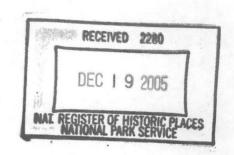




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December 12, 2005

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Delisting of the Goodlett Cotton Gin - Ozan vic., Hempstead RE: County

Dear Dr. Matthews:

The purpose of this letter is to obtain clarification on the regulations at 36 CFR § 60.14(b) and whether they apply to properties moved prior to the regulations' promulgation.

The Goodlett Cotton Gin in the Ozan vicinity, Hempstead County, Arkansas, was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on January 17, 1975. The Gin was later moved c.1980 from Ozan to within the boundaries of the Washington Historic District in Washington, Hempstead County, Arkansas. At our last Review Board meeting, the gin was proposed for delisting since the move did not have prior approval of the Review Board or the National Park Service in accordance with 36 CFR § 60.14(b).



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The Review Board moved to table the proposed delisting due to the fact that the regulations governing delisting moved properties were promulgated c.1980. As a result, there was a question whether the regulations applied to the Goodlett Cotton Gin, since it may have been moved prior to the creation of the regulations.

For clarification, do the regulations at 36 CFR § 60.14(b) apply to properties that were moved prior to their promulgation?

If you need further information, please call Ralph S. Wilcox of my staff at (501) 324-9787. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Cathie Matthews

State Historic Preservation Officer

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Ms. Cathie Matthews
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Dear Ms. Matthews:

Thank you for your letter of December 12, 2005, concerning the Goodlett Cotton Gin in Hempstead County, Arkansas, which was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on January 17, 1975. We understand that this property was moved sometime around 1980 from its historic location near the town of Ozan into the Washington Historic District, which is also located in Hempstead County, Arkansas, and was listed in the National Register on June 20, 1972.

According to Section 60.14(b) of the current regulations for the National Register of Historic Places (36 CFR 60), which became effective November 16, 1981, properties relocated without the prior approval of the State Historic Preservation Review Board and the Keeper of the National Register are automatically removed from the National Register. Based on the information provided, it is apparently uncertain as to when the Goodlett Cotton Gin was moved into the Washington Historic District. If the move is believed to occurred circa 1980, it may have taken place prior to the effective date of 36 CFR 60. Given these circumstances, it may be impossible to determine if Section 60.14(b) applies to the Goodlett Cotton Gin.

We recommend that the property be evaluated under the National Register criteria to determine if it should remain listed or be removed from the National Register. Does the property retain integrity in its current location? Is it able to convey its historic significance? Is the setting and location appropriate for cotton gin? Does it contribute to the significance of the Washington Historic District? We recommend that these and any other relevant questions be considered to determine if the gin still meets the National Register criteria. If this evaluation determines that the property has lost integrity, it may be appropriate to submit a petition requesting its removal from the National Register.

We appreciate your attention to this matter and hope you find this guidance helpful. If you have further questions, please feel free to contact Daniel Vivian of the National Register staff at (202) 354-2252 or by email at dan\_vivian@nps.gov.

Sincerely,

## John W. Roberts

John W. Roberts, Acting Chief National Register of Historic Places and National Historic Landmarks Program

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The old steam powered gin, commonly referred to as the Goodlett gin, stands on the Goodlett farm near Ozan, Arkansas. A principal two-storey wood building and two additional wood edifices comprise the building complex. They are located in what was a heavily wooded site adjacent to a one-half acre mill pond dug about the time the original building was constructed in 1883. The pond supplied the gin's water needs of several hundred gallons per day.

One adjacent wood building served as a shed under which wagons were weighed. It was built during the 1890's. The other building, of one-storey wood frame construction is located beside the principal structure and connected to it by a shed roof. It served as a cotton seed house for seeds removed from the cotton.

The central two-storey structure with gable roof and rectilinear plan is straddled by one-storey shed roof extensions on either side of its short axis. The buildings were constructed from timber cut from the nearby forest. The timbers were of varying sizes to accommodate the different space needs of the gin. Most timbers are cut from "heart pine." A siding of one (1") inch by twelve (12") inches pine sheathes the structures. A corrugated, galvanized sheet metal roof is in good shape, as is most of the lumber used in the original construc-The ground floor is of compacted dirt and contains the main power source, a 250 horse-power steam engine, and its attendant jack shafts, pulleys and belts. upper storey of wood frame construction contains the essential cotton ginning machinery. The supplementary operations of the gin include a feed and meal grinder and a sorghum press located on the ground floor.

Few alterations to the original structure have been made, other than minor repairs. Periodically, new equipment was added which increased the efficiency of the gin.

The State of Arkansas has recently purchased the Goodlett gin and plans are underway to relocate it at nearby Old Washington State Park. The Goodlett gin will be put back into operation to illustrate for park visitors the cotton ginning industry of the late 19th century.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Goodlett gin is significant because it is the only completely steam-powered cotton gin still operable in the United States. Built in 1883 by Captain Dave Goodlett, this gin has been continually owned and operated by the Goodlett family.

Soon after the Civil War Captain Dave Goodlett bought 1400 acres of land in Hempstead County. After clearing the land he began growing cotton. For several years he used a nearby gin to process his crop, but in 1883 he built a gin of his own. Using pine cut from his own farm Captain Goodlett built a gin building and scale house. These buildings have required only a few minor repairs during their 90 year history.

For the first 15 years of its operation the gin produced an average of two bales of cotton per day. Seed cotton was brought to the gin in baskets all fall and winter. The stands were fed by hand and the lint was tramped by foot. Mules were used to power the screw press. During the late 19th century most areas of the Cotton Belt had a gin in every county and at many county crossroads. The farmers would draw their wagons up in a line and wait their turn to have their cotton ginned. During the ginning season farmers spent many sociable hours waiting their turn at the gin. The Goodlett gin is representative of this era of American agricultural history.

In 1898 the gin was modernized with the installation of two 60-saw stands, a new boiler and an Atlas steam engine. This \$250.00 steam engine was used to power a tramper, a continental drop-side press, and a Thomas steam ram.

Form 10-300a (July 1969)

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

## NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

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A wooden continental distributor with lint flue was added in 1911, along with a drag type, wooden-box conveyer distributor. In the late 1930's two rebuilt 70-saw stands and two rebuilt feeders were installed, and the original boiler was replaced with a new one.

Syrup-making was another service long-performed by the Goodlett gin. Sorghum and ribbon cane were crushed by a steam powered mill and the syrup cooked in a steam heated pan. A third production of the Goodlett gin was that of corn meal. A stone grist mill was used for many years to grind corn, but has now been replaced by a hammer mill. In the early days of the mill the neighborhood customers often brought their corn and sorghum to the mill on week-ends and enjoyed a sociable gathering while their meal and cane were being ground.

The last major repair on the gin plant was made in 1952 when a new set of piston rings were made by a machinist familiar with the Goodlett gin. For three generations the Musgrave family of Nashville, Arkansas did all the repair work on the engine and has kept it in running condition since its installation in 1898.

During the 1950's and 1960's the production of cotton, corn, sorghum and ribbon cane greatly declined in the Ozan area. With no cotton to gin or corn to grind the gin and mill shut down commercial production in 1966.

Though cotton gins are, of course, still in operation throughout the South, the Goodlett gin is unique in that it is steam powered. Although not in operation at this time, the unique Goodlett gin is still fully operable. It is a replica of the agricultural and commercial way of life of the rural South in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

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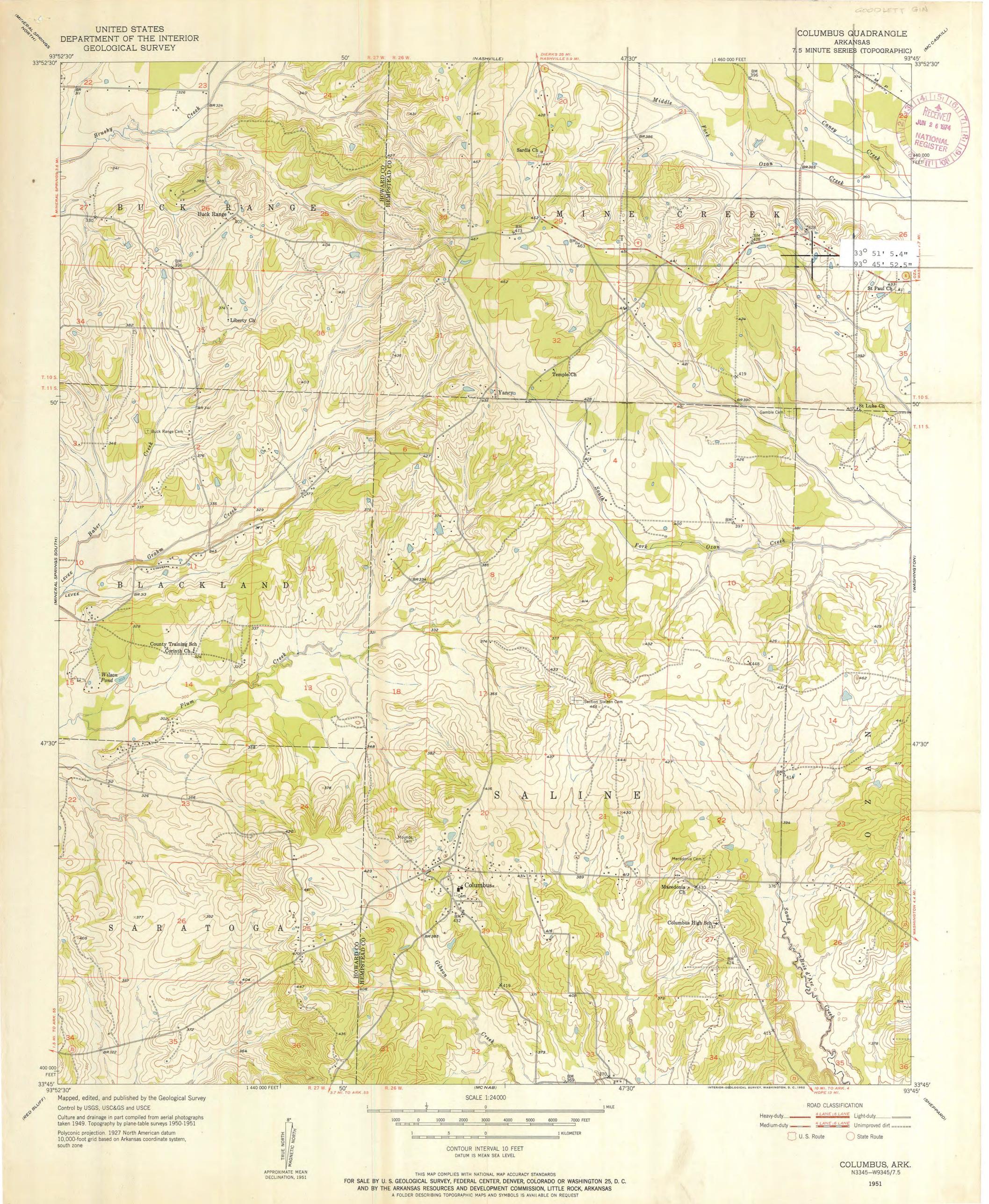
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