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

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: KENTUCKY	
COUNTY: LOGAN	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
	JUN 19 1973

1. NAME

COMMON:
Clark House

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Forst, William, House *use this*

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
S.E. Corner of 4th & Winter

CITY OR TOWN:
Russellville

STATE Kentucky	CODE 21	COUNTY: Logan	CODE 141
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3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Mrs. W.C. Clark & J. Granville Clark

STREET AND NUMBER:
S.E. 4th & Winter Streets

CITY OR TOWN: Russellville	STATE: Kentucky	CODE: 21
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5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Logan County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:
West 4th Street

CITY OR TOWN: Russellville	STATE: Kentucky	CODE: 21
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6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Survey of Historic Sites in Kentucky

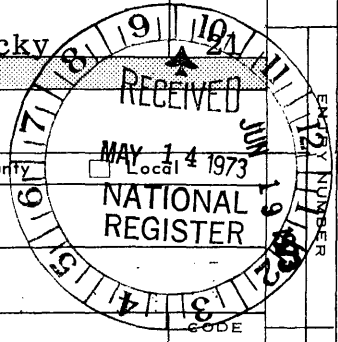
DATE OF SURVEY: **1971** Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Kentucky Heritage Commission

STREET AND NUMBER:
401 Wapping Street

CITY OR TOWN: Frankfort	STATE: Kentucky	CODE: 21
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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

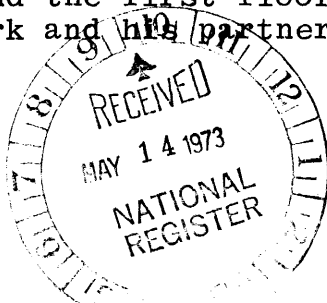
The Clark House, a handsome ten-room, two-story brick residence with twining ivy and precisely trimmed shrubbery, stands at the southeast corner of Fourth and Winter Streets in Russellville, Kentucky. This Federal style house is said to have been built circa 1820 by a Mr. Forst from England. [There are no windows on the sides of the house, because they were still afraid of Indian attacks when the house was built] Originally the house was composed of three 20'x20' rooms & a 20' hall on the first floor with a 20'x20' room & a 60'x20' ballroom on the second floor.

Through the years the house has changed under the hands of various owners. The front porch with its white columns is gone. The servants' quarters and kitchen have been torn down. The original windows and inside staircase were replaced in the 1890's. The red brick has been painted white. The huge ballroom, where the Confederate Convention was held, has been converted into several rooms which now serve as an apartment for one of the present owners. The plastered ceiling of the two-story main hallway was replaced by a patterned metal ceiling after a tornado. Mr. Wister C. Clark explained that he "didn't want any more plaster to fall on him."

The large front porch of the Clark House has a double brick stairway. [Both the stairs and porch are bordered by a wrought iron railing and carefully groomed shrubbery. To the side of the stairs on the ground level is curved brick platform containing a birdbath.]

The front elevation has four shuttered four-paned windows on the first floor and five on the second floor. The main entrance is flanked by two applied Ionic columns, glass sidelights, and period lighting fixtures. Above the door is an attractive leaded glass transom.

The Clark House has served as a residence and as the meeting place for the Confederate Sovereignty Commission. Between 1922 and 1942 Mr. Wister C. Clark used it as a funeral home. In 1960 Mrs. Wister C. Clark converted the second floor into an apartment for her own use and the first floor into law offices for her son, Granville Clark and his partner A.G. Rhea.



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B. SIGNIFICANCE

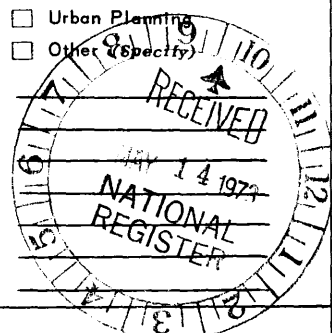
PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian | 16th Century | 18th Century | 20th Century
 15th Century | 17th Century | 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) c. 1820

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi- | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | losophy | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human- | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | itarian | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | |



STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Clark House was built circa 1820 by a Mr. Forst from England. Possibly Mr. Forst was a cabinetmaker. It is known that members of his family were early cabinetmakers. Many fine old pieces of their furniture are still being used by residents of Russellville.

The Confederate Sovereignty Convention met in the second floor ballroom of the Clark House on November 18, 19, & 20 in 1861. One hundred and sixteen delegates from sixty-five counties met here and passed an Act of Secession, declaring Kentucky a Confederate state. They selected Bowling Green as their capitol and elected George W. Johnson of Scott County as provisional governor.

In Historic Kentucky, J. Winston Coleman, Jr. reported that, "three commissioners—Henry C. Burnett, William Preston and William E. Simms--were sent to Richmond to secure the admission of Kentucky in the Confederacy. Kentucky was admitted as the 13th state to the Confederate States of America on December 10, 1861. Provisions were made for a provisional government consisting of the governor and a council of 12, vested with legislative powers. Plans were made for 12 Confederate congressmen and two senators."

Coleman also mentioned that George W. Johnson, the provisional governor, was a graduate of Transylvania University and was a farmer from Georgetown, Kentucky. He was a Colonel in the Kentucky State Militia and had served one term in the Kentucky Legislature. "After his appointment as governor, Johnson went into active service in the Confederate army, first as aide to General John C. Breckinridge and later as a private in the 4th Kentucky Infantry. While fighting in the ranks, Johnson was killed in the Battle of Shiloh; he was succeeded in office by Richard Hawes of Bourbon County. Johnson and Hawes were the only governors of the Confederate State of Kentucky, which operated in name only, as Kentucky was for the most part under federal control during the war. Officially, the state government at Frankfort never seceded and Kentucky remained a part of the Union."

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

J. Winston Coleman, Historic Kentucky, P.127

Edward Coffman, History Of Logan County

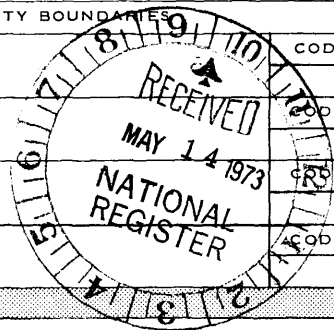
10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		36° 50' 42"	86° 53' 21"	
NE	° ' "	° ' "				
SE	° ' "	° ' "				
SW	° ' "	° ' "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: Less than 10 acres

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE



NO USA SEE INSTRUCTIONS

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: J. Granville Clark, owner

ORGANIZATION: _____ DATE: 3-1-73

STREET AND NUMBER: S.E. Corner of 4th & Winter Streets

CITY OR TOWN: Russellville STATE: Kentucky CODE: 21

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name Mrs. Simson Willis

Title State Historic Preservation Officer

Date April 27, 1973

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register:

Robert H. Utley
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 6/19/73

ATTEST: W. S. [Signature]
Keeper of The National Register

Date 6 6 73



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CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK



Bethel Branch



D-1,2
D,D-3
-2
E-4
F-3

FIELD DR E, F-1

SEVENTH ST W G-3
SHADY LA E-4
SHELTON RD E-3
SIXTH ST E H-3
SIXTH ST W G-3
SPORTSMAN CLUB RD C-1
SPRING ST N G-2
SPRING ST S G-3
SPRINGDALE DR H-4
STEVENSON MILL RD H, I-2
STONE ST G-1
STRANGE AVE H-3

