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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

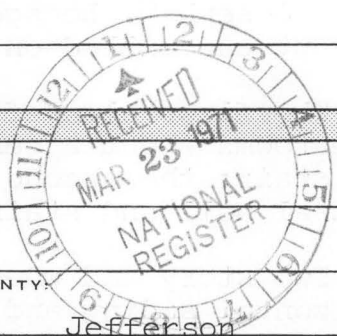
**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Arkansas	
COUNTY: Jefferson	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER 71.6.05.0004	DATE 6/34/81

1. NAME	
COMMON: Du Bocage	
AND/OR HISTORIC: Judge J. W. Bocage Home	

2. LOCATION			
STREET AND NUMBER: 1115 West 4th			
CITY OR TOWN: Pine Bluff			
STATE Arkansas	CODE 05	COUNTY: Jefferson	CODE 069



3. CLASSIFICATION			
CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input 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: Pine Bluff Optimist Club			
STREET AND NUMBER: _____ _____			
CITY OR TOWN: Pine Bluff	STATE: Arkansas	CODE 05	

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION			
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Jefferson County Courthouse			
STREET AND NUMBER: _____ _____			
CITY OR TOWN: Pine Bluff	STATE: Arkansas	CODE 05	

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS			
TITLE OF SURVEY: Some Historic Buildings in Arkansas, A. Edwin Kendrew, James R. Short, Henry A. Judd, John L. Ferguson			
DATE OF SURVEY: 1968 <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local			
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Arkansas History Commission			
STREET AND NUMBER: Old State House - 300 West Markham			
CITY OR TOWN: Little Rock	STATE: Arkansas	CODE 05	

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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

Du Bocage, the popular name for the home built by Judge Joseph W. Bocage, in 1866, was constructed of lumber cut and milled on his land.

The floor plan of the original portion consisted of five rooms about a central entrance hall housing a circular stair; the second floor has two bedrooms flanking the central hall and stairwell.

Two story and wood framed, Du Bocage is finished with horizontal siding and corner boards.

Elements of the Greek Revival are evident in the pedimented, two story entrance portico supported by four square, tapered columns with moulded capitals and square plinths. A balcony extends across the entire front (south) facade and is supported on columns composed of four vertical, square members separated by blocking at midheight to create a light, open effect, contrasting the strong lines of the portico columns. The railing has flat balusters, closely spaced with larger turned newels at the corners.

The main roof is of high pitched gable construction with boxed cornice and frieze. The gable ends have boxed cornices and returns, the gable ends and portico pediment are pierced with triangular capped, louvered vents.

The main windows are double hung sashes with flat surrounds and corner blocks. They have a 6 x 6 pattern of lights and are shuttered with louvered blinds.

The main entrance door surround is plain and is within an architrave with side lights and a transom the full width of the paneled door and side lights. The second floor entry from the balcony is nearly identical with the first.

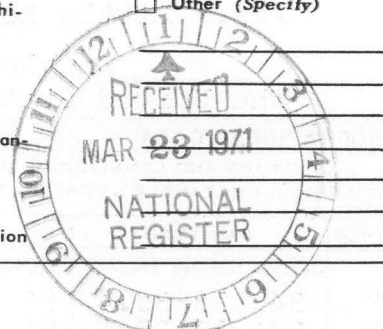
The two main chimneys, one offset right, one offset left, are inside end, and straddle the ridge. They are brick laid running bond and terminate in corbeled caps.

The house, now owned by the Optimist Club of Pine Bluff, is in good condition and well maintained.

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II. SIGNIFICANCE			
PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	
SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) <u>1866</u>			
AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Music		
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation			
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE			
<p>The J. W. Bocage home is architecturally significant as a well preserved example of <u>late Greek Revival</u> style.</p> <p>The period of construction influenced by the Greek Revival was, in Arkansas, from the early 1830's to the early 1860's. With a few exceptions, one of which being the Bocage house, the period was over by the end of the Civil War.</p> <p>By 1870, the Victorian style had begun to emerge. The Bocage house possesses some features, such as the <u>steeply sloped roof line</u>, more related to the Victorian than the Greek Revival, indicating a <u>transitional</u> phase between the two styles.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">-1898</p> <p>Judge Joseph W. Bocage was born on the island of St. Lucia, in the West Indies, on May 8, 1819. He was the son of William Bocage, a sugar planter. Joseph was named after his grandfather, Joseph Isadore Bocage, a Frenchman, who had been the French Consul, at New York, shortly after the American Revolution. The Bocage family owned a sugar plantation on St. Lucia, but after the Emancipation Act of Great Britain, which freed the West Indian slaves, the Bocage family emigrated to the United States. Joseph Bocage's parents died young. The father died at age twenty-one and his mother at nineteen. Young Bocage was placed in the care of a maiden cousin of his mother's who lived in North Carolina. Bocage was, therefore, raised and educated in that State.</p> <p>As a very young man he came to Arkansas to "read" medicine with Dr. Albert W. Webb, of Columbia in Chicot County. Bocage was apparently not suited for the medical profession, nor was his health too good when faced with the malarial diseases then prevalent in Chicot County. He moved to the higher ground and pine trees of Pine Bluff. At the time of his arrival there were only eight houses.</p>			
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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			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
NW	34° 13' 35.4"	92° 0' 43.5"	0		
NE	34° 13' 35.4"	92° 0' 40.5"			
SE	34° 13' 33.4"	92° 0' 40.5"			
SW	34° 13' 33.4"	92° 0' 43.5"			

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 1.14 acres

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Staff

ORGANIZATION: Arkansas Historical Preservation Program DATE: 3-12-71

STREET AND NUMBER: 1023 West Third Street

CITY OR TOWN: Little Rock STATE: Arkansas CODE: 05

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the Na-
tional 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 George M. Reynolds
George M. Reynolds

Title State Liaison Officer

Date March 12, 1971

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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

Ernest A. Connally
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

JUN 24 1971

Date _____

ATTEST:

William G. Smith
Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

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8. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE, Continued

Joseph Bocage began to read law with James Yell, nephew of Governor Archibald Yell. When he was twenty-one he was admitted to the Bar and -at the same time- Governor Yell appointed him State's Attorney for the Second Judicial District (Pine Bluff). He practiced law in Pine Bluff from 1840 to 1853.

In addition to his law practice Joseph Bocage had become a planter. He had acquired property, slaves, and equipment, and had, by 1853 reached the point where he was more planter than lawyer. The Civil War, however, was to change his life and his livelihood.

At the outbreak of the Civil War he raised a company of cavalry in Pine Bluff. He was later granted a commission as a Lieutenant-Colonel and served the Confederacy in Arkansas, Missouri, Kentucky and Texas. In the latter stages of his service he was a Commissary Officer and was concerned with procuring and creating military supplies and equipment for the Confederate forces.

At the close of the war he returned to Pine Bluff to find that the conflict had cost him his slaves and plantation. He saw, however, new opportunities in rebuilding a country which had been damaged, and development retarded, by four years of war. In partnership with Colonel M. L. Bell he began to build sawmills and to manufacture lumber. Bocage and Bell were successful. By 1866 Judge Bocage was utilizing lumber from his own mills to build his home. Within a few years Bocage and Bell had sawmills in various parts of the county, and even a steam brick-factory. At a later date Judge Bocage established J. W. Bocage and Company which manufactured steam engines and other machinery. Despite a disastrous fire, in 1873, which destroyed his factory, Judge Bocage managed to remain a successful and enterprising businessman. He died at Pine Bluff on January 15, 1898.



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Du Borage

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RECEIPT

PROPERTY

STATE

REGISTER NUMBER

DATE OF RECEIPT

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NO

NUMBER

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PHOTO (S)

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MAP (S)

MAP DESCRIPTION (S)

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RESUBMIT

more than enough coordinates! Al - do you ~~need~~ need clarification
on "original portion" reference in Pt. 7?

REVIEW

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Nemick
5/10/71

HISTORIAN

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Lavy
5/26/71~~ARCHAEOLOGIST~~

Probably should know alterations. Otherwise

OK
5/11/71

ARCHITECT

OK
Chamber
5-13-71

ASST. KEEPER

KEEPER

form signed by Keeper

OK

ENTRY

CHIEF, OAHF

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EDITORIAL PROCESSING, EDITOR

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6/1/71

Federal Register Entry

8/3/71

Date

Annual Edition Entry

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COMMENTS

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PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with photograph)

STATE Arkansas	
COUNTY Jefferson	
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ENTRY NUMBER 716.05.0004	DATE 6/24/71

1. NAME

COMMON: Du Bocage
AND/OR HISTORIC: Bocage Home

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:

1115 West Fourth Avenue

CITY OR TOWN:

Pine Bluff

STATE:

Arkansas

CODE

05

COUNTY:

Jefferson

CODE

069

3. PHOTO REFERENCE

PHOTO CREDIT: Burney McClurkan

DATE OF PHOTO: December, 1970

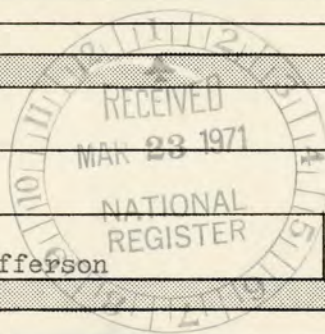
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4. IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.

View from the south



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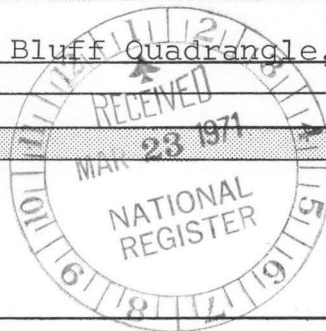
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PROPERTY MAP FORM

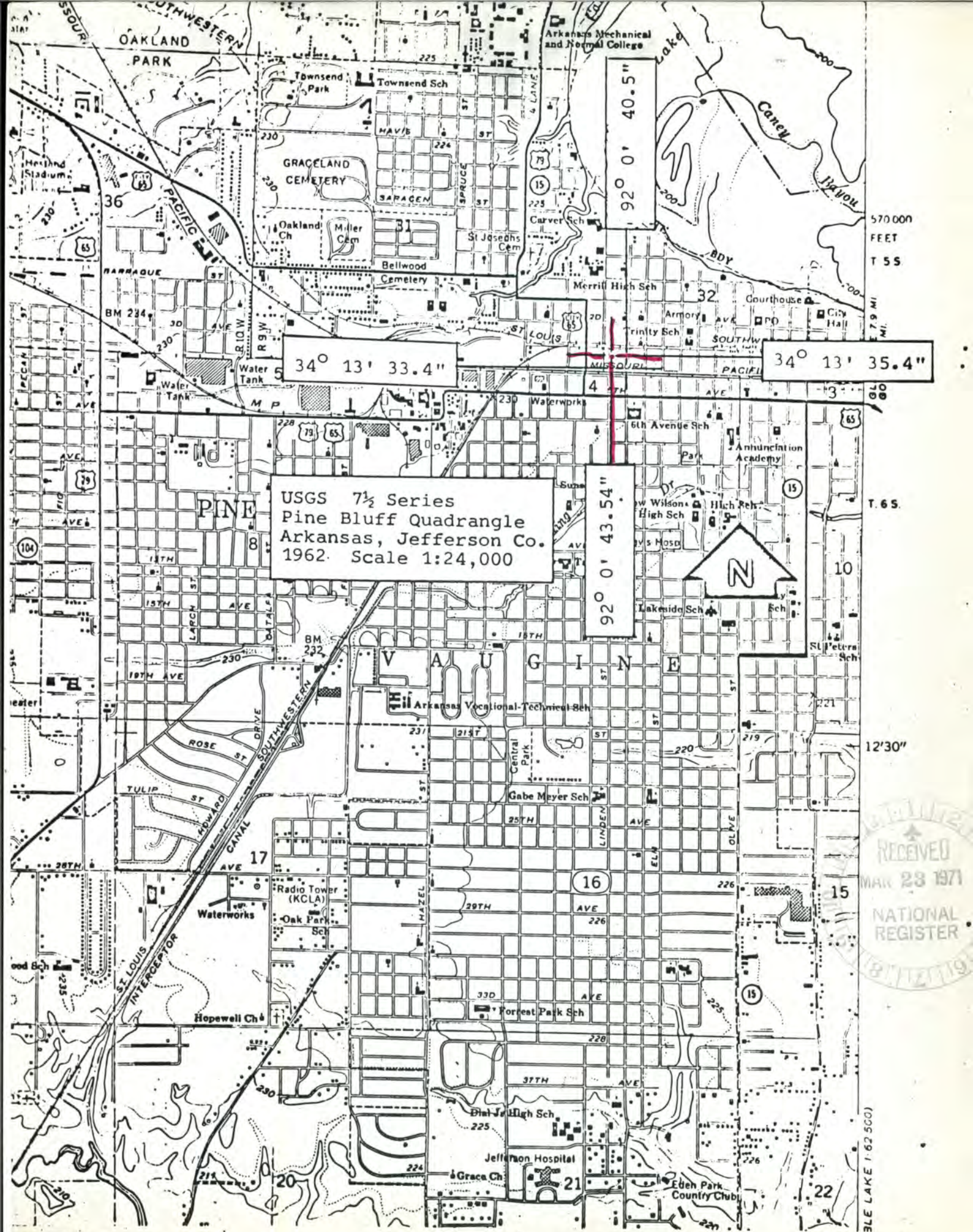
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CITY OR TOWN: Pine Bluff			
STATE: Arkansas	CODE 05	COUNTY: Jefferson	CODE 069
3. MAP REFERENCE			
SOURCE: U.S.G.S. 7½' Series Pine Bluff Quadrangle, Arkansas			
SCALE: 1: 24,000			
DATE: 1962			
4. REQUIREMENTS			
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS			
1. Property boundaries where required.			
2. North arrow.			
3. Latitude and longitude reference.			



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USGS 7 1/2 Series
Pine Bluff Quadrangle
Arkansas, Jefferson Co.
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ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM

1023 W THIRD STREET

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72201

501 374-0375



March 17, 1971

Dr. William Murtagh
Keeper of the National Register
U.S. Department of the Interior
National Park Service
801-19th Street NW
Washington, D. C. 20006



Dear Dr. Murtagh:

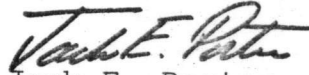
Attached are National Register Nominations for
the following properties:

Drennen-Scott Home
Garrott House
Du Bocage
Hudson-Grace-Borreson House
Grandison D. Royston House
McCollum-Chidester House
Headquarters House

These Nominations have been approved by a majority
of the State Review Committee.

Sincerely,

George M. Reynolds
State Liaison Officer

BY: 
Jack E. Porter
Administrator

JEP/hp

Attachments

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JUN 29 1971

Dr. George M. Reynolds
Chairman
State Review Committee
Old State House
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Dr. Reynolds:

We are pleased to inform you that the historic properties listed on the enclosure have been placed on the National Register of Historic Places. Senators John L. McClellan and J. W. Fulbright and the appropriate Representatives are being informed. A leaflet explaining the National Register is enclosed for each of the property owners. Please withhold any publicity on this until you have received a carbon copy of the Congressional correspondence.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)

Director

Enclosures

Entered in the National Register

JUN 24 1971

cc:

HR

6/18/71

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Properties added to the National Register of Historic Places

ARKANSAS

Headquarters House

Washington County,
Fayetteville, Arkansas

Hudson-Grace-Borreson House

Jefferson County,
Pine Bluff, Arkansas

L Du Bocage

Jefferson County,
Pine Bluff, Arkansas

Garrott House

Independence County,
Batesville, Arkansas

McCollum-Chidester House

Quachita County,
Camden, Arkansas

JUN 29 1971

H30-HR

Hon. John L. McClellan
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator McClellan:

We are pleased to inform you that the historic properties listed on the enclosure have been nominated by the State Liaison Officer appointed by the Governor for the implementation of the National Historic Preservation Program in Arkansas and have been entered into the National Register of Historic Places. Senator J. W. Fulbright and the appropriate Representatives have also been provided with this information. By copy of this letter, the State Liaison Officer, Dr. George M. Reynolds, Chairman, State Review Committee, Old State House, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201, has likewise been notified. A leaflet explaining the National Register is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)

Director

Enclosures

JUN 24 1971

Entered in the National Register

cc: Dr. George M. Reynolds, Chairman, State Review Committee, Old State House,
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Also notified: United States Senate
Hon. J. W. Fulbright

House of Representatives
Hon. John P. Earmerschmidt
Hon. David Pryor
Hon. Willard D. Mills

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PDHerrick:naf

cc: Director, Southeast Region

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HR

Properties added to the National Register of Historic Places

ARKANSAS

Headquarters House

Washington County,
Fayetteville, Arkansas

Hudson-Grace-Borreson House

Jefferson County,
Pine Bluff, Arkansas

La Bodega

Jefferson County,
Pine Bluff, Arkansas

Garrott House

Independence County,
Batesville, Arkansas

McCollum-Chidester House

Ouachita County,
Camden, Arkansas