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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

Dorroh- Trent House
AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

NW Corner of 11th and Conley Streets

__NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Hammon

__ VICINITY OF

6

STATE

CODE

COUNTY

CODE

Oklahoma

40

Roger Mills

129

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: Lab

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

City of Hammon

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Hammon

__ VICINITY OF

STATE

Oklahoma

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

County Clerk

STREET & NUMBER

Rogers Mills County Court House

CITY, TOWN

Chevenne

STATE

Oklahoma

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Oklahoma Comprehensive Survey

DATE

July, 1978

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Oklahoma Historical Society

CITY, TOWN

Oklahoma City

STATE

Oklahoma

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Dorrah/ Trent House is of wood frame construction with light members. The external siding is milled clapboard, painted white. The house is two story with eight rooms and an attached garage. The columns along the outer course of the porch are of the Tuscan Order with unfluted shafts, unadorned capitals, and unenriched bases. The roof is of compound construction with crossed gables with asphaltic shingles. The sash-type windows have two large lights. The bay window area supports three sash-type windows on the east side of the house. The house rests upon an important corner lot with scattered housing in the immediate vicinity.

The house is being furnished the styles of the early Statehood period, with those original pieces that are available.

The Charles Trent Family acquired the house in 1926. The Trent family donated the house to the Hammon Historic Preservation Committee.

An addition of a stoop at the north end of the house and a garage to the northwest constitute the alterations. The original portion of the house remain the same, with the exception that the diamond shaped window on the east has been replaced by double hung wooden sash windows, as indicated in the photographs (dates c. 1910 and April 23, 1979)

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
	<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			Medicine/ Indian Service

SPECIFIC DATES 1910

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

In April of 1909, Dr. Lee Dorrah moved to Hammon, Oklahoma, locating there shortly after the founding of the town. He settled there until ill health forced him to retire from active practice. The Dorrah House was completed in 1910, where his family including his wife, Ophelia Alvis Dorrah, and their daughter, Thelma Lee, born April 28, 1908, lived. Their second daughter, Louise Camille, was born there on December 14, 1910.

In 1910, Dr. Dorrah was appointed physician for the Red Moon Indian Agency and from that time on was a vigorous champion of the Cheyenne and Arapaho peoples and a vocal advocate for their rights. He was appointed local surgeon for the Clinton, Oklahoma and Western Railway Company.

Dorrah was the youngest of six children, born on a farm near Fredonia, Kentucky, June 28, 1872. His father was William W. Dorroh and his mother was Mary Wasly Dorrah, both of Celtic descent. His childhood and youth were spent on his father's farm.

After attending public schools through the twelfth grade, he desired further education. In 1898 he was graduated from the Bowling Green Normal School. The following year he became dissatisfied at the prospect of settling down to a life of teaching. He then traveled to California and the gold mines. The next four years were spent in Angels Camp, a flourishing mining town. He returned to Kentucky in 1902, and entered the Louisville Hospital College of Medicine. Upon graduation, he practiced in Fredonia, Kentucky. Then he returned to Angels Camp where he was appointed surgeon-in-charge of the Mica Mining Company's hospital.

It was in April of 1909, that he went to Hammon, Oklahoma, shortly after the founding of the town. He was a member of the Roger Mills County Medical Society, the Southwestern Medical Society, the Oklahoma State Medical Society, and the American Medical Association. He took a great deal of interest in the office of health officer which he held for several years. He affiliated fraternally with the Hammon Lodge, No. 435, Free and Accepted Masons. Later he took the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite Mason at Guthrie, Oklahoma.

Largely because of overwork, Dr. Dorroh suffered a nervous breakdown and in the interests of his health he went to southern California. Later he went to Colorado Springs, Colorado, where he died on November 9, 1925.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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Encyclopedia of Biography (Chicago, 1931)

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than an acre

QUADRANGLE NAME Hammon Quadrangle

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:62500

UTM REFERENCES 8 7 5 3 5 0

A 1 4 4 6 5 0 8 7 3 9 4 3 0 3 3

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ZONE EASTING NORTHING

ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The property is bounded by a line running from the intersection of Conley and 11th, west to the property line (150'), north to the intersection of the line and the alley line, then to 11th, then south to the original point.
 LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Howard L. Meredith Historian

4-11-79

ORGANIZATION

Oklahoma Historical Society

DATE

405-521-2491

STREET & NUMBER

Historical Building

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Oklahoma City

STATE

Oklahoma

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL X

As the designated State Historic Preservation 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.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

TITLE

Nerry L. Dempree

DATE

7-13-79

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

John Skell

DATE

10-3-79

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST:

Bill Gouven
 CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

DATE

10/3/79