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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Bowers, Carter, House

other names/site number Reveille (preferred)

2. Location

street & number 408 West Madison N/A not for publication

city or town Pulaski N/A vicinity

state Tennessee code TN county Giles code 055 zip code 38478

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this 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 meets does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)
Herbert L. Hays 9/20/94
Signature of certifying official/Title Date
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, Tennessee Historical Commission
State of Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the 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:) _____

Signature of the Keeper Edson H. Beall Entered in the National Register Date of Action 10-28-94

Reveille
Name of Property

Giles, Co., TN
County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1	1	buildings
		sites
		structures
		objects
1	1	Total

Name of related multiple property listing
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

N/A

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: Single dwelling

Current Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: Single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)

Italianate

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation STONE

walls BRICK

roof TIN

other WOOD

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- Criteria A, B, C (checked), D

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is: N/A

- Criteria A, B, C, D, E, F, G

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS): N/A

- Documentation options: preliminary determination, previously listed, etc.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance

ca. 1868-ca. 1939

Significant Dates

ca. 1868

ca. 1939

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Builders: Burns, Phil; Purcell, Jine

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office (checked), Other State agency, Federal agency, Local government, University, Other

Name of repository:

Reveille
Name of Property

Giles Co., TN
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of Property Approximately 1.5 acres

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

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Zone Easting Northing
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Zone Easting Northing
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See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Nancy Jane Baker (history) Louis Jackson (description)

organization Tennessee Historical Commission date July 1994

street & number 701 Broadway telephone (615) 532-1550

city or town Nashville state TN zip code 37243-0442

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Miles

street & number 408 West Madison telephone 615/363-9700

city or town Pulaski state TN zip code 38478

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Narrative Description

Reveille is a two story brick residence built in the Italianate style of architecture. This style is typified by low pitched heavily bracketed roofs, irregular floor plans, and segmental arched windows and door openings. Reveille has all these details. The house was constructed in 1868 when the Italianate style was popular in the South.

The house is located on an acre and a half lot in Pulaski (1988 pop. 8,022), Tennessee, the county seat. It is situated on a six foot rise above the street and the property is separated from the sidewalk by a retaining wall of approximately two feet in height. There is one noncontributing outbuilding located at the rear, northwest corner, of the residence.

Reveille is unusually well constructed. The stone foundation is about two feet thick and the outer walls of the house are four bricks (16 inches) thick and the inner walls are three bricks (12 inches) thick. The ceilings are 13 1/2 feet high on both floors. The floor joists are of yellow poplar, 2 1/2 inches thick, 12 inches wide, laid 15 inches center to center, on all flooring levels including the attic. The floors are of long leaf pine and are original to the house. The window and door casings are hand carved and the doors are constructed of yellow poplar. The mantels in the drawing room and the library are of marble, said to be Italian, and the tin on the roof is of unusual thickness, not now commercially available (Giles County Historical Society Bulletin, p. 68).

The facade (south elevation) is three bays in width. The western bay has a projecting gable. On the first floor of the gable bay is a one story three sided projecting bay window with a heavy cornice. Each of the three windows in the bay is a four-over-four wooden double-hung sash segmental arched window. The second floor of the gable bay contains a pair of wooden double-hung sash four-over-four semi-circular arched windows. Above the windows is a circular attic vent in the gable field.

The center bay on the facade is the two story entry tower, which is slightly recessed from the western bay. The first floor is dominated by a recessed semi-circular arched entry porch. The paneled archway is outlined by a rope molding supported by decorative capped engaged colonettes. Behind the colonettes and around the entire opening are bundled reeds with banding styled molding. The entry door is

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influenced by the Palladian style. It is comprised of three semi-circular arches, the center being the tallest one and containing double-leaf doors with an arched single light transom. The shorter arches, flanking the main arch, contain paneled one-over-one sidelights. On the second floor is a single wooden four-over-four double-hung sash semi-circular arched window supported by a simple bracketed balcony with no balustrade.

The eastern bay on the facade is recessed approximately six feet and contains an unpretentious one story low pitched metal hipped roof. The one story porch on this section is supported by two modest square posts with square capitals. Over each post is a pair of simple brackets in the porch cornice. There are two segmental arched windows that face onto the porch, each is comprised of a full length wooden four-over-four double-hung sash window. Directly over the windows on the first floor, on the second floor, are two wooden four-over-four double-hung sash semi-circular arched windows.

The east elevation is the simplest elevation of the structure. It is two stories, like the rest of the structure, and capped with a bracketed cornice. It is basically one bay in width. On the second floor there are two four-over-four wooden double-hung sash semicircular arched windows. The first floor is dominated by a one story narrow porch protecting a single-leaf paneled door with a two light segmented arched transom. The porch itself is supported by two modest square posts with simple square capitals and two similar pilasters up next to the structure. The porch has a molded cornice with paired brackets at the corners. Adjacent to the porch is a segmental arched four-over four double-hung window.

The west elevation is divided into three main bays with the bay to the south being part of the projecting gable end of the facade. The center bay is a projecting gable end of the main body of the house and the north bay is the service wing. The south bay contains a four-over-four wooden double-hung semi-circular arched window on the second floor, while on the first floor there is a wooden four-over-four double-hung sash segmental arched window. The center bay contains a circular attic window in the gable, two four-over-four wooden double-hung sash semi-circular arched windows on the second floor, and two four-over-four wooden double-hung sash segmental arched windows on the first floor. The north bay of this elevation, the service wing, is one story in height and has a simple molded cornice with a wide fascia board. The wing is connected to the house by a glassed-in breezeway.

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spiral stair with decorative "S" brackets on the side. It also has a heavy handrail that is supported by ornately turned balusters. Anchoring the stair to the floor is a massive turned newel post. The newel post has three divisions: a round saucer like top with a sloping eight sided shaft resting on an octagonal base. Part way up the stair is a niche with simple molding. The foyer is lit with a crystal chandelier. The other main feature of the foyer is the Palladian influenced entry and surround. The double-leaf paneled doorway has arched sidelights and an arched transom surrounded by a simple heavy molded trim. The house also has a secondary stair located in the hall. While simpler than the main stair, the smaller turned newel post and balusters are attractive.

The principal exterior repairs made during renovation in 1939 were:

- (a) Replacing and extending the front and side porches with an iron railing around the latter.
- (b) Rebuilding and screening the back porch.
- (c) Extending the old servants' quarters (the only standing outbuilding) and making it into a garage.
- (d) Taking out the shrubbery along the front and north sides of the house and raising the front stone wall to form level ground in the front yard area.
- (e) Planting fruit trees.
- (f) Building flagstone walks and steps at front and side entrances.

Although some of this historic landscaping is extant, no assessment of the overall integrity of the 1939 landscaping has been done.

Primary interior repairs and changes in 1939:

- (a) Steam heating systems installed and closing the fireplace in the north dining room.
- (b) Weather stripping all windows and doors.
- (c) 12 closets were added. Storage space was added above the closets in the hallways, the storage space extends to the ceiling height and there are small storage doors above the closets.
- (d) Arch cut between living room and dining room.
- (e) The north kitchen extended and the breakfast nook added.
- (f) East and west extensions of the old ell back porch were enclosed and made into a kitchen.
- (g) The 1868 kitchen was a separate structure attached by a porch to the main house. It was connected to the main house and made into a laundry room with servant's bath and toilet. This is the one story rear ell structure that contains the present day kitchen.

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(h) 70 wall electrical outlets installed. (Giles County Historical Society, p. 70).

The noncontributing outbuilding has been changed over time. The original use was servant's quarters. The existing brick center section of the garage is the original servant's quarters. The north extension of the garage was added in the 1939 and enlarged with 1944 rehab. The 1989 rehab to the outbuilding included the addition of the carport on the south side of the original servant's quarters and enclosing the 1944 garage.

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Correspondence of John Orr of Stratford, Ontario, Canada, the family financial agent, indicates that in May through October of 1864 Mrs. Carter had a balance of \$12,969.00. As of November 25, 1865 Benjamin Franklin Carter was informed that there were monies in his account (Letters in Ann Bowers Matthews personal collection).

The present house construction began in early 1866 and was completed in 1868. The Pulaski Citizen reported on Friday, October 2, 1868:

...that Phil Burns, a carpenter by trade, and Jine Purcell, an Irishman who were working on Major Carter's new building, both having been on a drunk and upon exceedingly friendly terms all the afternoon finally got into a drunken quarrel in front of Mr. P.M. Ezell's store, when Burns pulled out a pistol and deliberately poked it into Purcell's face and shot him down.

The bricks used for the construction of the house, servant's quarters (the present day garage) and the smoke house (the foundation of which is still evident) were made for B. F. Carter on site just west of the structure. In correspondence from Mrs. Giles (Ezell) Reynolds, who grew up in the area, it is noted that the house "boasted the first bathroom with water connection in the town, made possible by a pipe to the cistern. The bathtub, constructed of heavy zinc and wood-boxed, was about six feet long, two feet wide and two feet deep. It was located on the north side of the first floor where the present north kitchen is located and was removed when the house was renovated in 1939. An iron pipe led through the 16-inch brick wall to the cistern pump on the back porch. Water from the cistern was poured into the pipe which emptied into the bathtub". The cistern was and still is under the dining room floor and was accessed by a trap door in the dining room floor. The trap door was permanently closed in 1939 due to the availability of city water (Giles County Historical Society Bulletin, p. 76).

Due to financial stringency Benjamin Franklin Carter was compelled to sell his entire holdings in April of 1886. The block was divided into seven lots, with lot no. 1 (including the residence) extending from Madison to Jefferson Street. Miss Carter (daughter to the above mentioned Mr. Carter) bought lot no. 1 containing the present residence. After the death of Miss Carter in 1925 the northeast corner of the property was sold creating the present size of the lot. The

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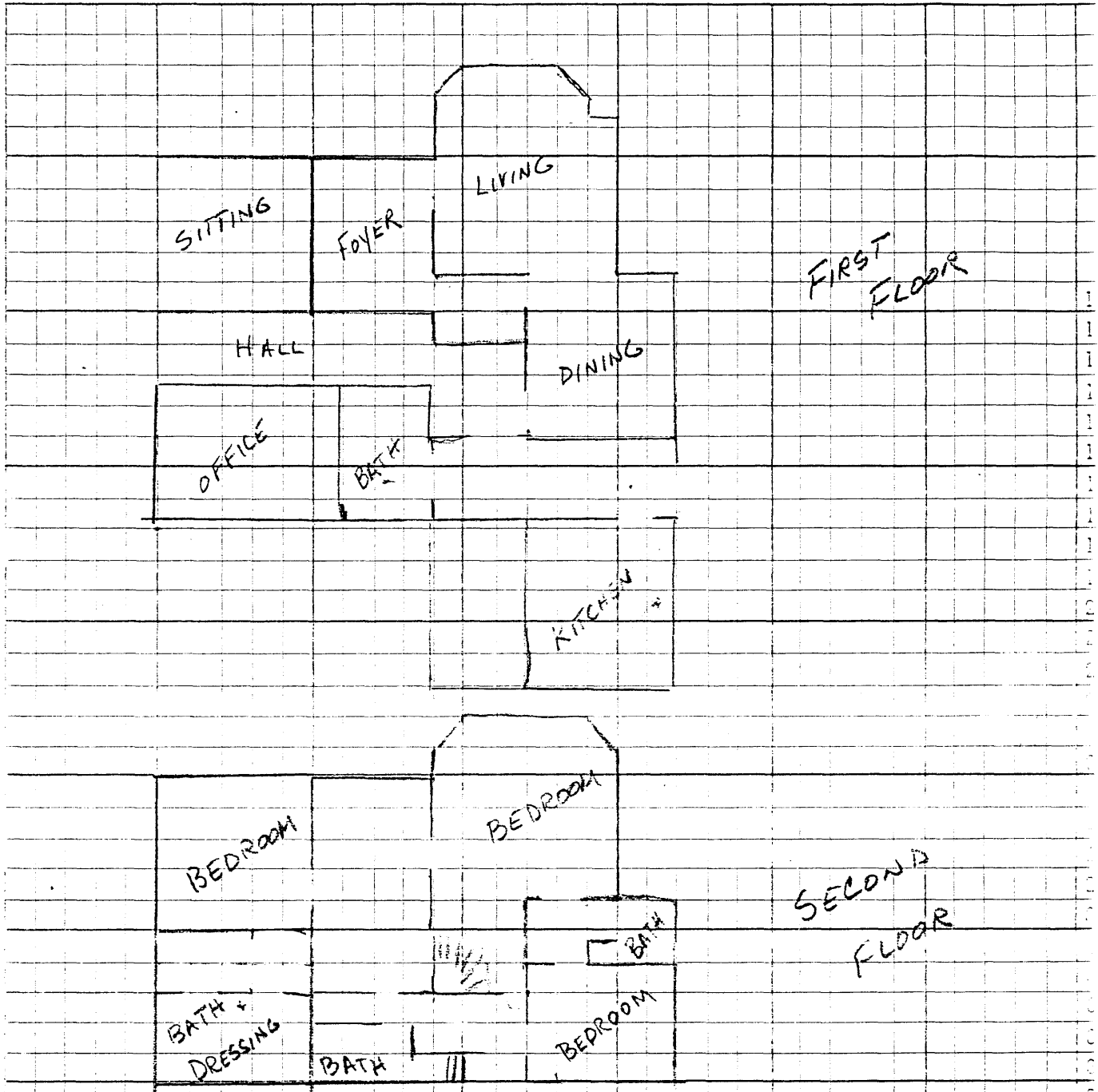
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Verbal Boundary Description

The boundaries of the nominated property consist of lot 10 on Giles County tax maps 96-D and 87-M.

Boundary Justification

The boundary includes all the land currently associated with the house.



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