

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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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
Old Alexander House
AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION NE of Magnolia

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Magnolia

VICINITY OF

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
Fourth

STATE

Magnolia

CODE

05

COUNTY

Columbia

CODE

027

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
Robert S. Warnock, Jr.

STREET & NUMBER
119 South Pine

CITY, TOWN

Magnolia

VICINITY OF

STATE

Arkansas

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Columbia County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Magnolia

STATE

Arkansas

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT
 GOOD
 FAIR

DETERIORATED
 RUINS
 UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Old Alexander House is notably distinguished in this area by being at least five feet off the ground, with two original logs being used as foundation pillars, still in use. The reason for the height was because of the mosquitoes in the area, rather than as a shed for buggies.

The rectangular symmetrical house with a high gabled roof has two brick fireplaces, one in the living room and one in the large bedroom. The house is divided with a wide open hall, often called a dog-trot. The hall served as an air conditioner and as a safety factor in case of fire.

There is little difference in the front and back of the house. The front has a verandah and only one staircase leading up to the center of the open hall. The back of the house, besides the stairway to the center, has a smaller stairway to the center, has a smaller stairway to the room often known as the dinning area. The kitchen was many steps to the rear of the house because of fire hazards of having the kitchen in the house.

Until its restoration in 1955, the house remained unchanged. The restoration involved repairs to the weakened floor, new-paned windows, painting in the original colors of white, mustard and dark green.

In the Old Alexander House the bedroom area has a fireplace, with original mantel. A "girls" bedroom opens from the parents bedroom. The ceilings are 12 feet in the gabled roof. There is a stairway leading to one attic bedroom, which must have rarely been use, since there is no apparent natural light in the room. The pine floors were hand planed on the top side and the inside walls are in unfinished umber. Of course, there is not a closet in the house. Square nails are evident in many of the floor planks and the rough, unplanned walls. It is obvious that the square nails served doubly as hooks.

The original mantel is very primitive, one plank on top of another, indented to form the mantel extension.

There is one original log, debarked, used as a foundation pillar under the floor. In the early years of the twentieth century, some of the logs were replaced with brick piers. Hewed logs lay as floor poists, with no nailing. As you walk under the floor, bending, if you're over five feet tall, you can see the unplanned sides of the wide flooring from the bottom side. The timbers under the house are also mortised together instead of being nailed.

As a part of the 1955 restoration a detached one-story log cabin was constructed. The cabin was used as a tool shed, with a cot, electric refrigerator and telephone. It as meant to represent the smokehouse.

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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1855

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

EDITOR'S NOTE

The Alexander House is a six-room, frame, raised dog-trot dwelling built in 1855 by South Carolinian, Samuel Alexander, after he and his family settled in cotton-rich Columbia County in southwest Arkansas. The building is architecturally significant and is connected with the early settlement of the area. Two noteworthy design features of the building are that (1) it is elevated on brick piers to a height approximately five feet above the ground (rare to Arkansas) and (2) each half of the house follows an irregular rather than rectangular plan; an unusual feature for a symmetrical dog-trot dwelling. The building was restored in 1955 by R.S. Warnock Jr., the grandson of the original owner. The house is located in an isolated section of the county which is now given over to forestry and petroleum production rather than farming. The tree-covered, grassy plot on which the Alexander House stands is surrounded by forest. The building is utilized as a family museum by the present owners. A fear of vandalism prevents them from publicizing the property.

The Old Alexander House is one of the few surviving ante-bellum dwellings in Columbia County, Arkansas. The house was built by the grandfather of the present owner in 1855 and has always been preserved by the builder's descendants.

A South Carolina widower farmer was one of the pioneer settlers of the area. His name was Samuel Alexander and he arrived in Columbia County by covered wagon which might have been purchased with a second wife's dower. His second wife, his children by his first wife and he lived in a log cabin nearby, as he built the home in Arkansas. The present owner's mother was born in the log cabin as the house was being constructed.

The Old homeplace was a favorite meeting place for the young people in the area because it was easily accessible from other parts of the county. It was on the Shreveport, Louisiana to Camden, Arkansas road, which connected the Red River and the Ouachita River. The ruts of the road are visible today. The parents would sit on the veran-

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Deane, Earnie. "Grandson Restores Pioneer Home," Arkansas Gazette, March 11, 1958.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY Less than 1 acre

QUADRANGLE NAME Magnolia

QUADRANGLE SCALE, 1: 24000

UTM REFERENCES

A	1,5	4,8,6	9,2,0	3,6,8,6	9,4,0	B				
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING				ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING	
C						D				
E						F				
G						H				

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

$E\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, S8, T 16 S, R 19 W *verify*
 Approximately 2 miles North of the "Old El Dorado-Magnolia Highway", just West of Village, Arkansas

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
 Mary Warnock Harsh (edited by Mike Shinn)
 ORGANIZATION
 DATE
 June 20, 1978
 STREET & NUMBER
 620 Partee
 TELEPHONE
 501-234-1313
 CITY OR TOWN
 Magnolia
 STATE
 Arkansas

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL STATE X LOCAL

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 Forner Barth DATE 8/2/78
called Ark 11/27/78

TITLE _____ DATE _____

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

Forner Barth DATE 1-9-79
 KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST: Marcella Shuff DATE 1-4-79
 CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

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dah, while the young people courted across the cotton patch and the small fresh spring-water creek, under the penoak and beechnut trees.

During the Civil War, soldiers came through, possibly on skirmishes around the Red River, or Poison Springs at Camden. The soldiers took every valuable found, except Samuel Alexander's razor and razor strip. They did overlook his watch which he customarily hung on a square nail alongside the mantle at dusk.



Old Alexander House
Near Magnolia, Arkansas
Bob Dunn
1978

Columbia
County

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
South elevation from the south
#1

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Old Alexander House
Near Magnolia, Arkansas
Bob Dunn

Columbia County

1978
Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
North elevation from the north
#2

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Old Alexander House
Near Magnolia, Arkansas
Bob Dunn
1978

Columbia
County

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
East elevation from the east

#3

JAN 3 1979

AUG 23 1978



Old Alexander House
Near Magnolia, Arkansas
Bob Dunn
1978

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County

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
West Elevation from the west

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Old Alexander House
Near Magnolia, Arkansas
Bob Dunn
1978

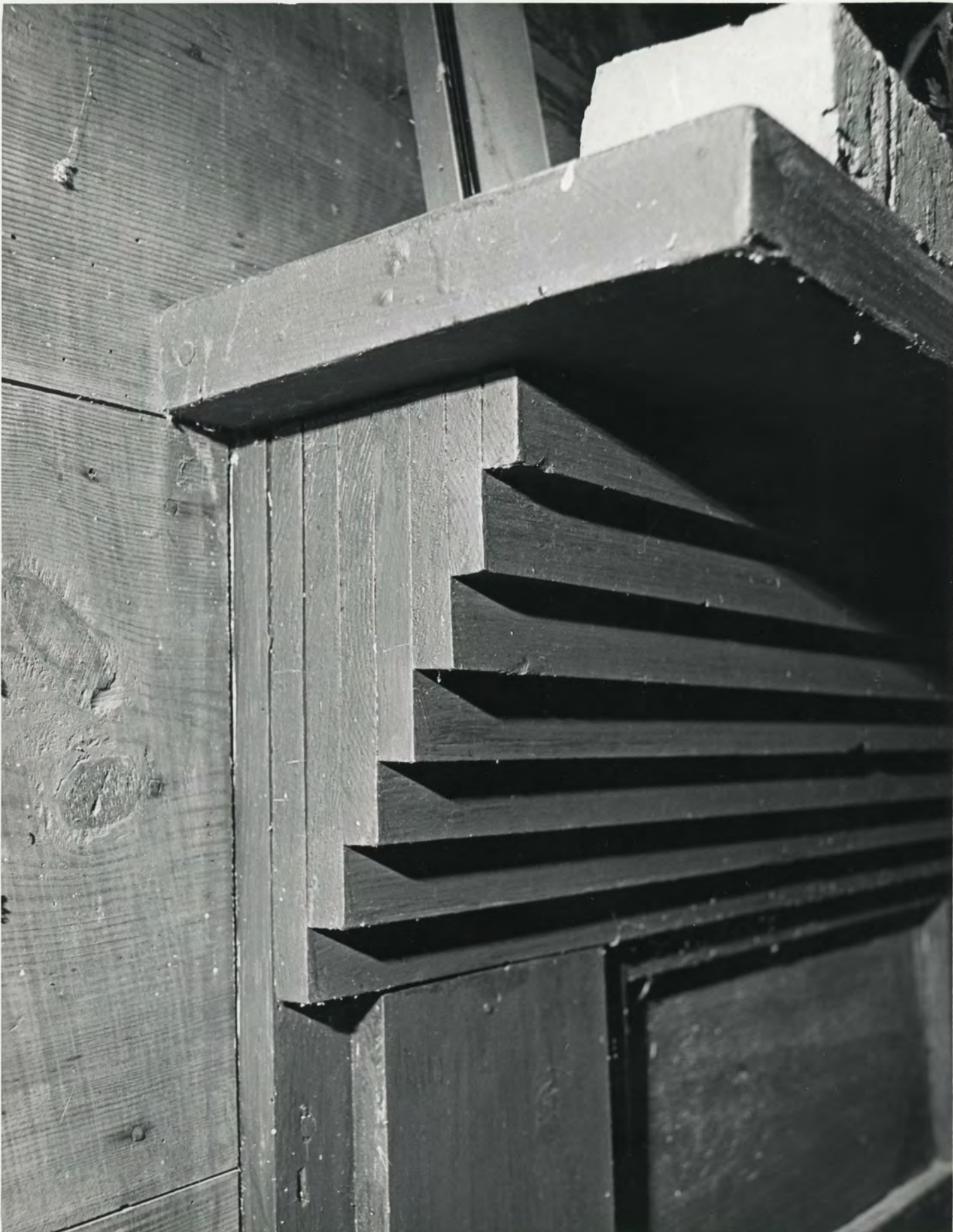
Columbia
County

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
Interior mantel

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Old Alexander House
Near Magnolia, Arkansas
Bob Dunn
1978

Columbia
County

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
Corbelled mantelpiece
#6

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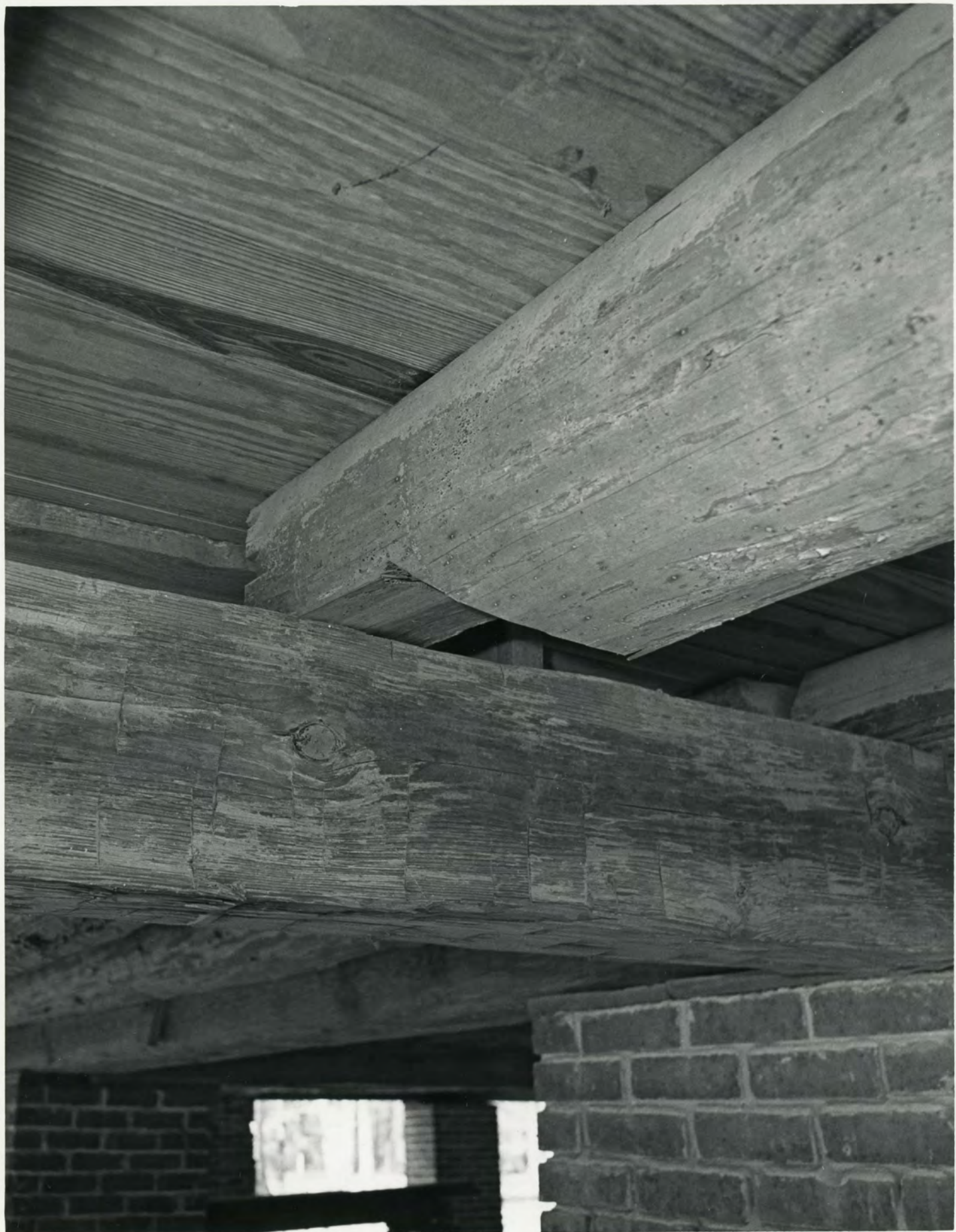
Old Alexander House
Near Magnolia, Arkansas
Bob Dunn
1978

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
Bedroom interior
#7

*Columbia
County*

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Old Alexander House
Near Magnolia, Arkansas

Bob Dunn

1978

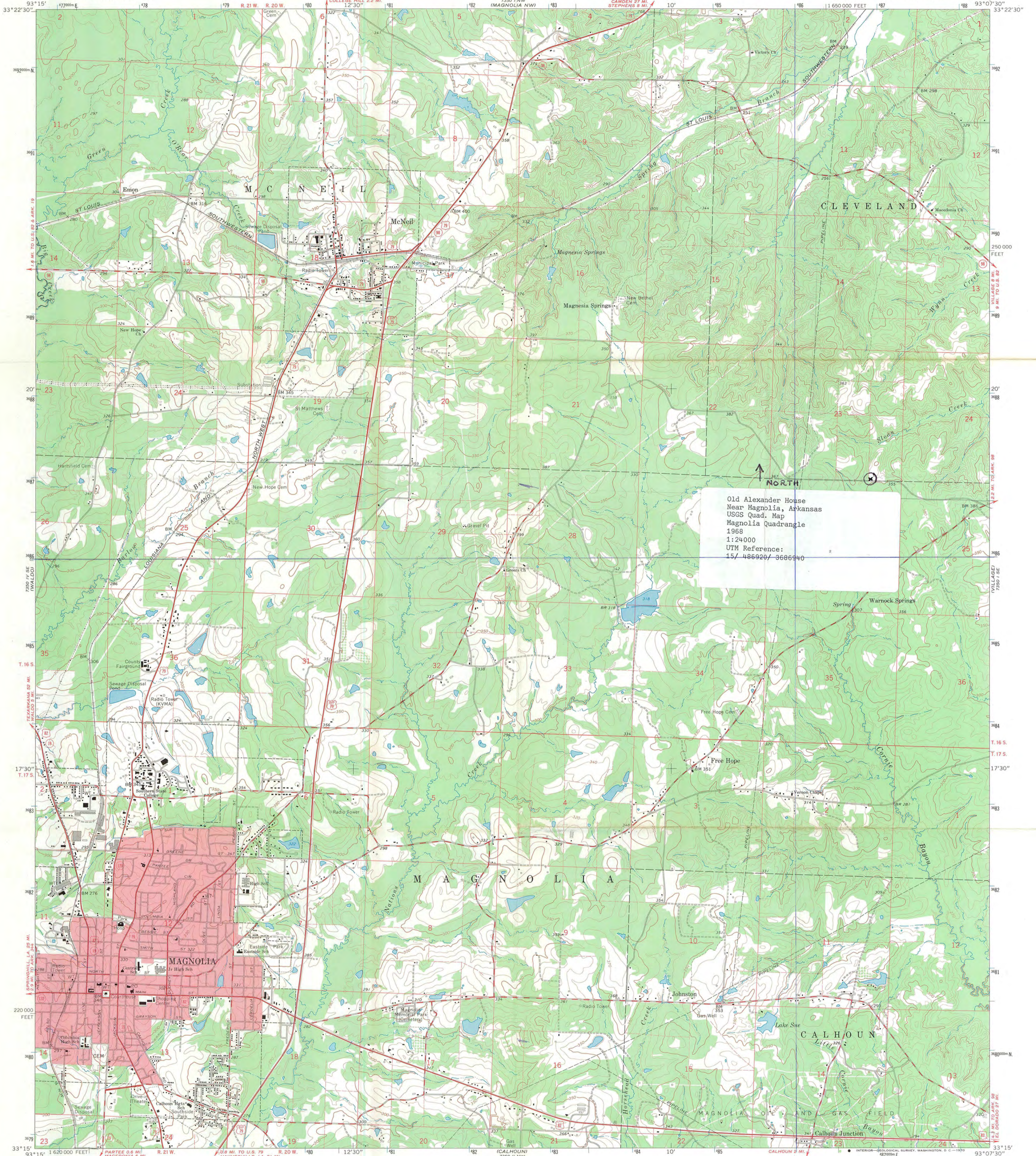
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Underpinning

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Columbia
County

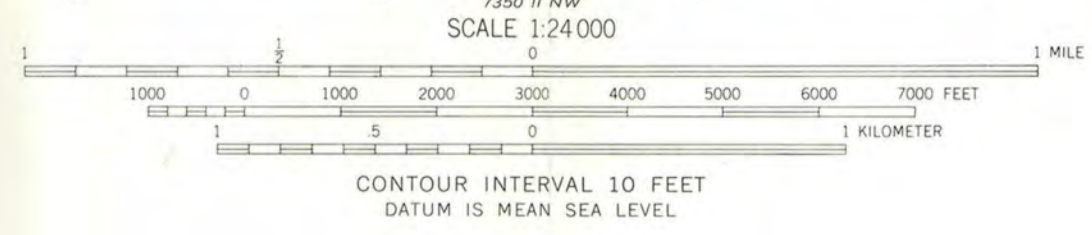
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Old Alexander House
Near Magnolia, Arkansas
USGS Quad. Map
Magnolia Quadrangle
1968
1:24000
UTM Reference:
15/ 486920/ 3686940

Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS and USC&GS
Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial
photographs taken 1965. Field checked 1968.
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Arkansas coordinate system, south zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 15, shown in blue
Red tint indicates area in which only landmark buildings are shown
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked



THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
FOR SALE BY U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, DENVER, COLORADO 80225, OR WASHINGTON, D. C. 20242
AND BY THE ARKANSAS GEOLOGICAL COMMISSION, LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72201
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty	Light-duty
Medium-duty	Unimproved dirt
U. S. Route	State Route

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MAGNOLIA, ARK.
N3315—W9307.5/7.5
1968
AMS 7350 I SW—SERIES V884

National Register of Historic Places

Note to the record

Additional Documentation: 2016

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: PROPOSED MOVE

PROPERTY Old Alexander House
NAME:

MULTIPLE
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: ARKANSAS, Columbia

DATE RECEIVED: 4/22/16 DATE OF PENDING LIST:
DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 6/07/16
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 79000435

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: Y SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 6.7.2016 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

*Accept move
See attached letter*

RECOM./CRITERIA _____

REVIEWER J. Gibbs DISCIPLINE _____

TELEPHONE _____ DATE _____

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.

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REASONS FOR THE MOVE:

The Old Alexander House is proposed for relocation to be used in conjunction with the relocated Ozmer House to help Southern Arkansas University establish a combination of teaching and exhibit spaces for the agriculture education program. In its current location, the Old Alexander House is endangered due to the fact that it is being vandalized and not used on a regular basis. As a result, the owners worry about the future of the property. As part of the relocation, the house would be restored to its original appearance and have HVAC and electrical systems added. The house would also have access to a new circle driveway.

EFFECT ON PROPERTY'S HISTORICAL INTEGRITY:

The proposed move will have some impact on the Old Alexander House, specifically with respect to its setting. Its current setting, to the northeast of Magnolia, is heavily wooded and surrounded by forests. The proposed setting is much more open in feel and in close proximity to several of the campus' buildings. The house currently faces south, and would keep the orientation at the new location. The Old Alexander House was listed on the National Register at least under Criterion C for its architecture. As the original nomination stated:

The building is architecturally significant and is connected with the early settlement of the area. Two noteworthy design features of the building are that (1) it is elevated on brick piers to a height approximately five feet above the ground (rare to Arkansas) and (2) each half of the house follows an irregular rather than rectangular plan; an unusual feature for a symmetrical dog-trot dwelling.

Once it is relocated to the proposed location, the Old Alexander House will still retain the qualities that made it architecturally significant when it was listed on January 9, 1979.

INFORMATION ON THE NEW SITE:

The proposed site for the Old Alexander House is located on the west side of Washington Street to the southwest of Childs Hall and to the north of a large parking area. It is approximately six miles to the southwest of the Old Alexander House's current site. A gravel drive currently makes a "U" to the east of the proposed site. A few trees are located on the site, mainly to the east. Active farm fields are located to the west and north of the site and some modern campus buildings are located to the southwest of the site. As far as is known, no buildings have ever occupied the site.

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Photographs

Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels (minimum), 3000x2000 preferred, at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map. Each photograph must be numbered and that number must correspond to the photograph number on the photo log. For simplicity, the name of the photographer, photo date, etc. may be listed once on the photograph log and doesn't need to be labeled on every photograph.

Photo Log

Name of Property: Old Alexander House Proposed Location

City or Vicinity: Magnolia

County: Columbia County State: Arkansas

Photographer: Ralph S. Wilcox

Date Photographed: January 13, 2016

Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera:

1 of 4. View of the proposed location, looking southwest.

2 of 4. View of the proposed location, looking west.

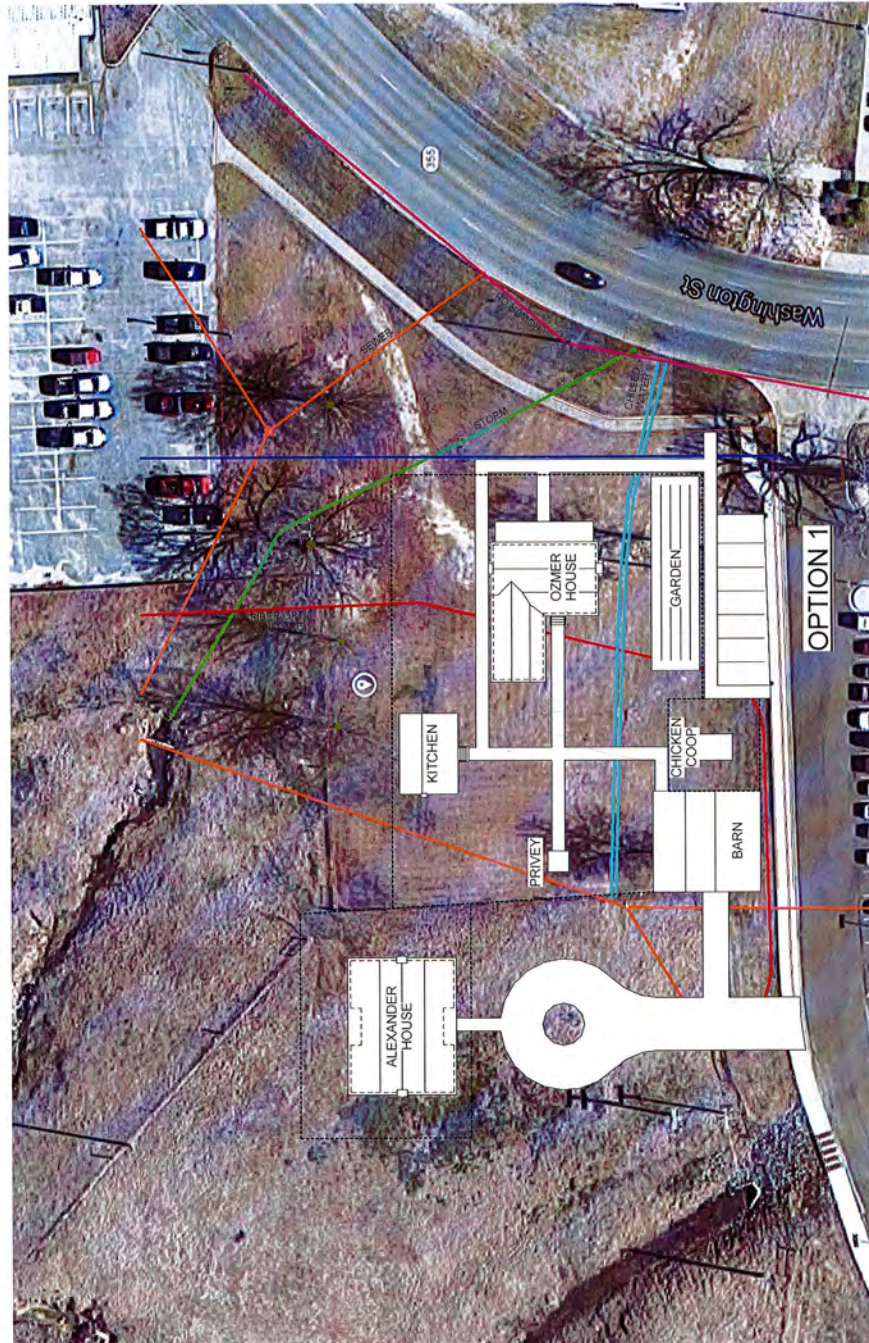
3 of 4. View of the proposed location, looking north.

4 of 4. View of the proposed location, looking northeast.

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National Park Service

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Site plan of the proposed location of the Old Alexander House









National Register of Historic Places

Note to the record

Additional Documentation: 2019

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National Park Service

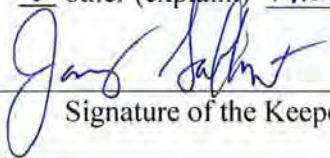
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National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register
- determined eligible for the National Register
- determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register
- other (explain): Final Move Approved


Signature of the Keeper

5-30-2019
Date of Action

Date of the Move:

The Alexander House was moved to the current location on the Southern Arkansas University Campus in Magnolia, Columbia County, Arkansas, in August 2017. The Arkansas Historic Preservation Program was informed of the move the following day through local news outlets.

Verbal Boundary Description:

Beginning at UTM point 15/477799/3683731 on the north side of the sidewalk at the creek, proceed northwest along the creek for 225 feet to the UTM point 15/477759/3683785, thence proceed easterly for 215 feet to UTM point 15/477823/3683785, thence proceed southerly for 170 feet to the UTM point 15/477823/3683733, thence proceed westerly for 90 feet along the north side of the sidewalk to the point of beginning.

Acreage:

The Alexander House occupies less than one acre.

UTM Coordinate:

The new UTM coordinate for the Alexander House is: 15 477808E 36837679N (NAD83/WGS84)

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National Park Service

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Photo Log

Name of Property: Alexander House

City or Vicinity: Magnolia

County: Columbia County State: Arkansas

Photographer: Ralph S. Wilcox

Date Photographed: March 22, 2019

Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera:

- 1 of 8. View of the Alexander House, looking west.
- 2 of 8. View of the Alexander House, looking northwest.
- 3 of 8. View of the Alexander House, looking north.
- 4 of 8. View of the Alexander House, looking northeast.
- 5 of 8. View of the Alexander House, looking east.
- 6 of 8. View of the Alexander House, looking southeast.
- 7 of 8. View of the Alexander House, looking south.
- 8 of 8. View of the Alexander House, looking southwest.



|-----145 feet-----|

Old Alexander House
Magnolia, Columbia County, Arkansas

15 477808E 3683767N



North



|-----444 feet-----|

Old Alexander House
Magnolia, Columbia County, Arkansas

15 477808E 3683767N



North

















National Register of Historic Places
Memo to File

Correspondence

The Correspondence consists of communications from (and possibly to) the nominating authority, notes from the staff of the National Register of Historic Places, and/or other material the National Register of Historic Places received associated with the property.

Correspondence may also include information from other sources, drafts of the nomination, letters of support or objection, memorandums, and ephemera which document the efforts to recognize the property.

Property Old Alexander House
State Ark. Working Number 8.23.78.3941

TECHNICAL
Photos 8
Maps 1

date OK RB

CONTROL
pl
8.24.78

Although associative categories are not checked at top of #8, area associations during early settlement are appropriately described. I assume primary value is in representation of a type and craftsmanship.

HISTORIAN
Sheffy
12-5-78
accept

ARCHITECTURALLY SIGNIFICANT AS DISPLAYING DISTINCT CHARACTERISTICS OF RAISED PIER CONSTRUCTION. THE PROPERTY REFLECTS TWO RARE ADAPTATIONS TO A RAISED DOG-TROT PLAN IN THAT THE FINISH FLOOR SITS 5' ABOVE THE GROUND AND THE HOUSE IS ASYMMETRICALLY ARRANGED AROUND THE DOG-TROT. VBD IS INCOMPLETE & INACCURATE. IS 1955 CABIN INCLUDED?

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN
CALL / ACCEPT
H. Z. B. B.
12/8/78

For VBD see Xeroxed sheet

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

HAER

Inventory _____
Review _____

Significance as described above. We have a minimally acceptable boundary description that--given photo--includes the newer log cabin--which should be viewed as not detracting, but not contributing actively to historic value of site.

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF
Sheffy
1-4-79
accept

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

National Register Write-up _____
Federal Register Entry 3-6-79 Send-back _____
Re-submit _____

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ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM

Suite 500, Continental Building · Markham and Main · Little Rock, Arkansas 72206 23 1978 Phone: (501) 371-2763



May 18, 1978

Mrs. R. S. Warnock
119 South Pine
Magnolia, AR 71753

Re: Alexander House, Magnolia
Columbia County

Dear Mrs. Warnock:

The staff of the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program is preparing a National Register nomination for the above captioned property which will be presented to the Arkansas State Review Committee at their June meeting. If approved, the nomination will be submitted to the National Register office in Washington for final consideration.

The National Register of Historic Places is a listing of historic sites, buildings, objects and districts from all across the country that are worthy of preservation. Entry in the National Register is an honor which places an obligation on a private owner. It does, however, provide protection through comment by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation from federally financed, assisted or licensed projects that might affect a National Register property.

On October 4, 1976, the President signed a Tax Reform Act of which Section 2124 refers to tax incentives for historic properties. Enclosed you will find an information sheet on that tax act.

If you have any questions concerning the program or this property's nomination, please contact Sandra Taylor Smith of our staff.

Enclosed are two copies of this letter. Please complete the form below, sign and return the original to our office. The copy is for your files. We would appreciate receiving any comments you might have concerning the nomination of this property. If we do not hear from you within 30 days your approval will be assumed.

Sincerely,

Barbara Woodard

Barbara Woodard, Deputy Director
Arkansas Historic Preservation Program

I approve of the nomination of the above property to the National Register of Historic Places. ✓ Yes No

Comments:

5/21/1978
Date

Mrs. R. S. Warnock, Jr.
Signature

SATURDAY

DECEMBER 1978						
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JAN. 1979

FEBRUARY 1979						
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25	26	27	28			

-APPOINTMENTS-

- 8:30 Columbia Co. Art
- 9:00
- 9:30 Old Alexander
- 10:00 House, etc
- 10:30
- 11:00 or Old Magnolia
- 11:30
- 12:00 FIC 9/5/78
- 12:30
- 1:00 DR 8/23/78
- 1:30
- 2:00 TICA 8/30/78
- 2:30
- 3:00
- 3:30 Charles 1-4-78
- 4:00
- 4:30 Listed 1-9-79
- 5:00 PIC on FIC

TELEPHONE REPORT

OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

PROJECT:

TO/FROM: *Sandra Smith*

DATE: *12-11-78*

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

STAFF MEMBER:

Sheff

DIVISION:

REPORT:

called on boundaries on both

12/20

called on boundaries; they promised them by next week

12/29 - rec'd call from SHPO's office

which gave VBD: The house centers the perimeter located at a distance of 100 ft from bldg in all directions.

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE ARKANSAS

Date Entered JAN 9 1979

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Newton County Academy	Parthenon Newton County
Old Alexander House	Magnolia vicinity Columbia County

Also Notified

Honorable Dale Bumpers
Honorable David Pryor
Honorable John P. Hammerschmidt
Honorable Beryl F. Anthony, Jr.

State Historic Preservation Officer
Ms. Anne Bartley
Acting Director
Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
Suite 500, Continental Building
Markham and Main Streets
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

NR Byers/bjr 1/26/79

For further information, please call the National Register at (202)343-6401.

OLD ALEXANDER HOUSE

Ent. 1-9-79

Columbia Co. Ark

AR

January 22, 1979

Magnolia, Arkansas, 71753

620 Partee

Dear Mr. Murtagh,

It has been over four months since we have heard anything about the "Old Alexander House" In that letter you asked if we wished to comment on whether our old place should be listed, I thought that the fact that we had entered it into the Arkansas Historic Preservation, and asked that it be sent to the National Register was really enough comment. I am sure there are many others similar to it....but of course, to us it is unique, because the same family has owned it since its construction in 1855that alone is quite a feat!

We are interested in knowing what happened or how long will it be before we are notified. I hope we can put up some type of marker and perhaps deter delinquents from further demoralizing the property.

Many thanks.

Sincerely

Mary Warnock Harsh

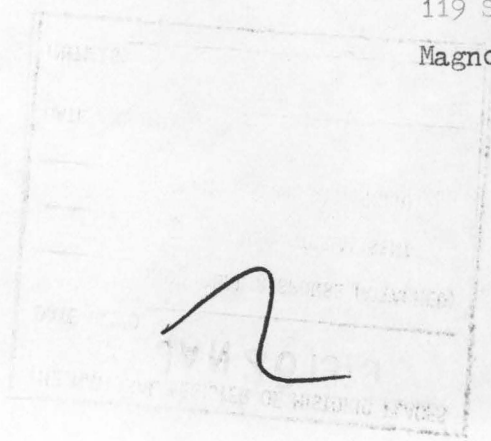
Mrs. John W. Harsh

(Daughter of the owner,

R.S. Warnock, Jr.

119 South Pine

Magnolia, Arkansas, 71753



THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

JAN 26 1979

DATE REC'D

INDIVIDUAL RESPONSE (ATTACHED)

INFORMATIVE MATERIAL SENT

RECOMMENDATION (ATTACHED)

DATE / ACTION / REASON

INITIALS

Faint, mostly illegible text from the reverse side of the document, appearing as bleed-through or ghosting.

I called Ark Monroe in
Senators Bumpers' Office
on 1/26/79

Please call other Senators &
member of Congress

S. David Pryor ✓
(204-235-4843)
Bumpers ✓

L. Beryl F. Anthony Jr. ✓
555-3772 ✓
SHPO ✓
called "✓" items
1/26/79
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The Alexander House in Arkansas centers the perimeter located at a distance of 100ft from the building in all directions.

The Parthenon (The new Ct. Academy) is a area of approx 6.5 acres fronting the Guns Spring Rd for approx 200yd. it turns North for approx 300 yds. off the Guns Springs Rd. & the N. boundary line is also approx 200 yds. & part of Guns Spring Rd contains within the area ~~area~~ the girls dormitory & the Academy building and also the WPH Gym. This area is owned by the city & includes the entire ground of the academy.

NATIONAL REGISTER DATA SHEET

1 NAME as it appears on federal register: Old Alexander House
 2 OTHER NAMES:
 3 date of entry: JAN 9 1979
 4 county code: 027

5 LOCATION street & number: NE of Magnolia
 city / town: Magnolia
 vicinity of: Magnolia
 state: AR
 county: Columbia
 6 NPS REGION: SW

7 OWNER PRIVATE STATE MUNICIPAL COUNTY MULTIPLE FEDERAL (agency name)
 8 ADMINISTRATOR:
 9 EXISTING SURVEYS HABS HAER NHL
 10 FUNDED? YES NO
 11 CONGRESS. DISTRICT: 4th
 12 SOURCE of NOMINATION STATE FEDERAL
 if state who prepared form?

13 WITHIN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT? YES, NAME NO
 14 WITHIN NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK? YES, NAME NO
 15 ACREAGE
 LOCAL PRIVATE ORGANIZATION

16 CONDITION
 deteriorated altered original site
 excellent ruins unaltered moved
 good unexposed reconstructed unknown
 fair unexcavated excavated
 17 features:
 INTERIOR SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-1 SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-2
 NOT INTACT-0 NOT INTACT-0
 UNKNOWN-4 UNKNOWN-5
 NOT APPLICABLE-7 NOT APPLICABLE-8
 EXTERIOR SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-3
 NOT INTACT-0
 UNKNOWN-6
 NOT APPLICABLE-9

18 ACCESS YES-Restricted YES-Unrestricted No Access Unknown
 19 ADAPTIVE USE YES NO
 20 SAVED? YES
 IS PROPERTY A HISTORIC DISTRICT? yes no

21 AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE :
 ARCHAEOLOGY-prehistoric-2 COMMERCE-6 ENGINEERING-11 LANDSCAPE ARCH.-15 POLITICS/GOVT.-21 RECREATION-28
 ARCHAEOLOGY-historic-1 COMMUNICATIONS-7 ENTERTAINMENT-26 LAW-16 RELIGION-22 SETTLEMENT-29
 AGRICULTURE-3 CONSERVATION-8 EXPLORATION-12 LITERATURE-17 SCIENCE-23 URBAN PLANNING-31
 ARCHITECTURE-4 ECONOMICS-9 HEALTH-27 MILITARY-18 SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN-24 OTHER (SPECIFY)
 ART-5 EDUCATION-10 INVENTION-14 PHILOSOPHY-20 SOCIAL/CULTURAL-30
 TRANSPORTATION-25
 22 CLAIMS: explain
 'first'
 'oldest'
 'only'

23 functions
 WHEN HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT:
 CURRENTLY:
 24 dates of initial construction:
 major alterations:
 historic events:
 25 ETHNIC GROUP ASSOCIATION

26 architectural style(s):
 27 architect:
 28 master builder:
 29 engineer:

30 landscape architect / garden designer:
 31 interior decorator:
 32 artist:
 33 artisan:
 34 builder/contractor:

35 NAMES give role & date
 PERSONAL:
 EVENTS:
 INSTITUTIONAL:

36 NATIONAL REGISTER WRITE-UP



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79000435
RE: Old Alexander House Proposed Move – Magnolia, Columbia
County, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Loether:

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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.

Sincerely,

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State Historic Preservation Officer

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Enclosure



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RE: Old Alexander House Post Move Documentation – Magnolia,
Columbia County, Arkansas

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Requested Action: Move

Property Name: Old Alexander House

Multiple Name: _____

State & County: ARKANSAS, Columbia

Date Received: 4/16/2019 Date of Pending List: 5/2/2019 Date of 16th Day: 5/17/2019 Date of 45th Day: 5/31/2019 Date of Weekly List: _____

Reference number: MV79000435

Nominator: _____

Reason For Review: _____

X Accept Return Reject 5/30/2019 Date

Abstract/Summary Comments: Proposed move approved in June, 2016. This submission documents the property on its new location, which is not ideal in terms of setting, but is sufficient for us to accept the move. Final move is approved.

Recommendation/ Criteria: Approve final move

Reviewer Jim Gabbert Discipline Historian

Telephone (202)354-2275 Date _____

DOCUMENTATION: see attached comments : No see attached SLR : No

If a nomination is returned to the nomination authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the National Park Service.