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National Park Service



NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Property

historic name: Burnett House

other name/site number: Resource #WH0890

2. Location

street & number: County Road 766

not for publication: N/A

city/town: Searcy

vicinity: X

state: AR county: White

code: AR145

zip code: 72143

3. Classification

Ownership of Property: Private

Category of Property: Building(s)

Number of Resources within Property:

Contributing	Noncontributing
<u>1</u>	<u> </u> buildings
<u> </u>	<u> </u> sites
<u> </u>	<u> </u> structures
<u> </u>	<u> </u> objects
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: N/A

Name of related multiple property listing: Historic and Architectural Resources of White County, Arkansas

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4. State/Federal Agency Certification

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As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X 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 X meets _____ does not meet the National Register Criteria. _____ See continuation sheet.

Cathryn A. Bryant
Signature of certifying official

6-24-92
Date

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property _____ meets _____ does not meet the National Register criteria. _____ See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

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5. National Park Service Certification

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I, hereby certify that this property is:

X 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): _____

Malcolm W. May

7/11/92

for Signature of Keeper

Date
of Action

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6. Function or Use

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Historic: Domestic Sub: Single Dwelling

Current : Domestic Sub: Single Dwelling

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7. Description

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Architectural Classification:

Other: Vernacular/Ell-Shaped

Other Description: _____

Materials: foundation Brick/Stone roof Asphalt Shingle
walls Weatherboard other _____

Describe present and historic physical appearance. X See continuation sheet.

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Description

During the Development Era (1835-1870) in White County a variety of vernacular houses were constructed. They were also built out of a variety of materials. Surviving examples from this period, however, are very limited. The Burnett House is a good example of a two-story, frame, gable roof, ell-shaped building. It rests on a foundation of brick piers nogged with stone, with stone also used for the porch piers and foundation.

Located on the north side of County Road 766 and three-quarters of a mile west of County Road 760, this building was constructed less than three miles northwest of downtown Searcy which is the county seat of White County. It was constructed c. 1870, and is in fair condition. The Burnett House faces south and this main elevation is dominated by a two-story shed roofed porch. The columns along the first floor of the porch were replaced by wooden box columns on stone piers during the 1920's and reflect the then popular Craftsman style. The box columns and balustrade on the second floor porch also probably date from this period.

Fenestration on the south elevation consists of symmetrically placed four-over-four double-hung sash windows. Each story also has a centrally placed door which opens onto the porches. The first floor door is flanked by side lights. The east and west elevations of the main facade are terminated by a brick interior end chimney which rises up from the gable peak and a brick exterior end chimney, respectively. Both chimneys have corbelled brick caps. These elevations are also decorated with gable returns. The two-story ell extends from the southeast portion of the main building. A corbelled brick chimney protrudes from the northern end of the gable peak.

Fenestration along the east elevation of the ell consists of six-over-six double-hung sash windows on the first floor while one-over-one double-hung sash windows decorate the second floor; neither of these types of windows are original to the building. While the north elevation of the ell still displays the original gable returns, both windows have been replaced. The first floor still has evidence of a centrally-placed window, yet the one which replaced it is a much smaller ten-pane fixed frame window. The second floor window has been replaced by a one-over-one double-hung sash window. A one-story, ell shaped porch originally stretched from the west elevation of the ell portion of the building over to the north elevation of the main structure. This porch has been enclosed with novelty siding. The northern portion of the porch attached to the ell has a paired sliding window while the northern portion of the porch attached to the main building has a single-pane fixed frame window. Also extending from this portion of the enclosed porch is a small storage room whose door opens onto a porch which is not original but

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extends from the north elevation of the storage room and along the west elevation of the enclosed porch. A door from the enclosed porch also opens onto this newer porch. It has a shed roof which is supported by wooden posts with a balustrade in between.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

☐ nationally ☐ statewide ☒ locally

Applicable National Register Criteria ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance

c. 1870 N/A

Significant Dates

c. 1870

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

☒ See continuation sheet

9. Major Bibliographical References

See "Historic and Architectural Resources of White County, Arkansas," Section H.

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- ☐ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- ☐ previously listed in the National Register
- ☐ previously determined eligible by the National Register
- ☐ designated a National Historic Landmark
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

☐ See continuation sheet

Primary location of additional data:

- ☐ State historic preservation office
- ☐ Other State agency
- ☐ Federal agency
- ☐ Local government
- ☐ University
- ☐ Other

Specify repository: _____

10. Geographical Data *map 9*

Acreage of property _____

UTM References

A

Zone	Easting	North

B

Zone	Easting	North

C

Zone	Easting	North

D

Zone	Easting	North

☒ See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

☒ See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification

☒ See continuation sheet

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Significance

When this building was constructed, c. 1870, it was one of numerous ell-shaped buildings built during the Development Era (1835-1870). Currently, however, it is the only one from this period which still survives intact in White County. This is why the Burnett House is significant; it is indicative of a housing type which is no longer found in this area and therefore, can provide insight into construction techniques and living arrangements of this era. Hence its eligibility under Criterion C with local significance.

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EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Burnett House

MULTIPLE NAME: White County MPS

STATE & COUNTY: ARKANSAS, White

DATE RECEIVED: 8/01/91

DATE OF 16TH DAY: 8/31/91

DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

DATE OF PENDING LIST: 8/15/91

DATE OF 45TH DAY: 9/15/91

REFERENCE NUMBER: 91001337

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: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: ☒ NATIONAL: ☒

COMMENT WAIVER: N

☐ ACCEPT ☒ RETURN

☐ REJECT 9/13/91 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

See attached comments

RECOM./CRITERIA Return

REVIEWER Harper

DISCIPLINE Historian

DATE 9/13/91

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments ☒ Y N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

___count ___resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

___historic ___current

DESCRIPTION

___architectural classification
___materials
___descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

___summary paragraph
___completeness
___clarity
___applicable criteria
___justification of areas checked
___relating significance to the resource
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___relationship of integrity to significance
___justification of exception
___other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

___acreage ___verbal boundary description
___UTMs ___boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

___sketch maps ___USGS maps ___photographs ___presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

Signed Patrick W. Andrews Phone _____
Date 9/13/91

Burnett House
White County MPS
White County, ARKANSAS

Reviewer's Comments

The boundaries of this property are presently located along building lines. A resource listed in the National Register should include all features of the property which contribute to its significance. In almost all cases this includes its historic setting. Page 77 of National Register Bulletin 16, Guidelines for Completing National Register of Historic Places Forms, states that "the boundaries of buildings should include the land surrounding the building, unless the lot occupied by the building contains no surrounding land as in the central business district of most cities."

Please revise the boundaries to include the property historically associated with the resource. If a portion of the original setting has lost its integrity, please explain.

The information provided on the construction materials needs to be clarified. Is the foundation stone (as shown on the form) or brick (indicated in the text for Section 7)?

Marilyn Harper
Historian
Sept. 16, 1991

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Acreage of property: Less than one

UTM References

A 15/610580/3902950

Verbal Boundary Description:

Beginning at the point formed by the intersection of the northern edge of County Road 766 with a perpendicular line running parallel to the eastern elevation of the house and located 50 feet to the west thereof, proceed northerly along said line for a distance of approximately 200 feet to a point formed by its intersection with a perpendicular line running parallel to the northern elevation; thence proceed westerly for a distance of approximately 200 feet along said line to a point formed by its intersection with a perpendicular line running parallel to the western elevation of the house; thence proceed southerly along said line for a distance of approximately 200 feet to a point formed by its intersection with a perpendicular line running along the northern edge of County Road 766; thence proceed easterly along said line for a distance of approximately 200 feet to the point of beginning.

Boundary Justification:

The original lot has been subdivided during the non-historic period, resulting in an indefinite current lot boundary; therefore, this boundary includes all the property historically associated with this resource that retains its integrity.

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Date Listed

COVER	Substantive Review	Date Listed
		9-12-91
91001350	Abington, William Thomas, House Substantive Review	7/11/92
91001322	Ackins House Substantive Review	7/11/92
91001186	American Legion Hall Substantive Review	9-13-91
91001253	Andrews, Col. Ralph, House	9-5-91
91001187	Arnold Farmstead Substantive Review	9-13-91
91001239	Baldock House	9-5-91
91001228	Bank of Searcy	9-5-91
91001251	Beebe Jail	9-13-91
91001265	Beebe Theater	9-5-91
91001201	Bell House	9-5-91
91001262	Berry House	9-5-91
91001192	Big Four School Substantive Review	7/10/92
91001176	Bloom House	9-5-91
91001363	Blunt House Livestock Barn Substantive Review	7/10/92
91001298	Boggs, James William, House	9-5-91
91001275	Bone, Luke, Grocery--Boarding House	9-13-91
91001202	Booth, Green, House	9-5-91
91001345	Booth--Weir House	9-5-91
91001217	Brooks House Substantive Review	7/10/92
91001268	Brown House Substantive Review	9-13-91
91001338	Brown, Joe, House and Farmstead Substantive Review	9-13-91
91001337	Burnett House Substantive Review	7/11/92
91001347	Caldwell House	9-5-91
91001280	Campbell--Chrisp House	9-5-91
91001293	Cary House Substantive Review	7/10/92
91001310	Chandler House Substantive Review	7/10/92
91001349	Childers Farmstead Substantive Review	7/11/92
91001301	Churchill--Hilger House	9-5-91
91001209	Cobb, Pattie, Hall	9-5-91
91001282	Cooley, Sam, Barn Substantive Review	7/11/92
91001229	Coward House Substantive Review	7/10/92
91001320	Cremane House Substantive Review	7/10/92
91001333	Critz, Col. John, Farm, Springhouse Substantive Review	7/10/92
91001259	Cross House Substantive Review	7/10/92
91001225	Cumberland Presbyterian Church Substantive Review	7/10/92
91001179	Cypert, Jesse N., Law Office Substantive Review	7/12/92
91001196	Doniphan Lumber Mill Historic District Substantive Review	9-13-91
91001264	Doss House Substantive Review	7-10-92
91001302	Doyle, David, House No. 2	9-5-91

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NOMINATOR: STATE

DETAILED EVALUATION: Y

☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT 7/11/92 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Constructed in 1870, this is the only remaining
intact 2-story L-plan house in the county.

Concerns raised in return have been addressed.

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept/A
REVIEWER Harper
DISCIPLINE Historian
DATE 7/11/92

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

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Signed _____

Date _____



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SEARCY VIC, ARKANSAS
PHOTOGRAPHED BY V. MITCHELL
FEBRUARY, 1987
NEGATIVE ON FILE AT AHPP
VIEW FROM SOUTHEAST



BURNETT HOUSE White C)
SEARCY VIC., ARKANSAS
PHOTOGRAPHED BY J. MITCHELL
FEBRUARY, 1987
NEGATIVE ON FILE AT AHPP
VIEW FROM NORTHEAST



BURNETT HOUSE

White

SEARCY VIC, ARKANSAS

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FEBRUARY, 1987

NEGATIVE ON FILE AT AHPP

VIEW FROM NORTHWEST



BURNETT HOUSE white
SEARCY VIC., ARKANSAS
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NEGATIVE ON FILE AT AHPP
VIEW FROM WEST

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64500033