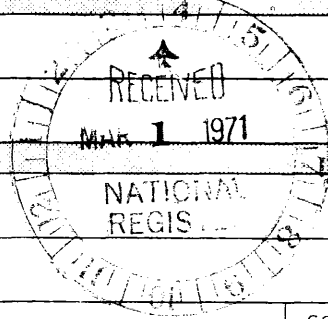


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INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	Kansas
COUNTY:	Atchison
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1. NAME

COMMON: Amelia Earhart Birthplace

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: 223 No. Terrace

CITY OR TOWN: Atchison

STATE: Kansas CODE: 66002 COUNTY: Atchison CODE: 005

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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 type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Paul Allingham

STREET AND NUMBER: 223 No. Terrace

CITY OR TOWN: Atchison STATE: Kansas CODE: 66002

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Register of Deeds

STREET AND NUMBER: Atchison County Courthouse

CITY OR TOWN: Atchison STATE: Kansas CODE: 66002

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: Survey of Historic Sites and Structures in Kansas

DATE OF SURVEY: 1957 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Kansas State Historical Society

STREET AND NUMBER: 120 West Tenth St.

CITY OR TOWN: Topeka STATE: Kansas CODE: 66612

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
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	(Check One)			(Check One)		
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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

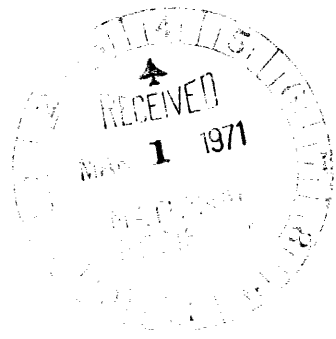
The Amelia Earhart Birthplace faces east and overlooks the Missouri river from the crest of a bluff. The lot on which it is built slopes sharply to the west.

The front portion of the house is two stories in height and is constructed of wood with horizontal lap siding. The roof is a double pitch gable with an intersecting gable on the east side. Most window openings have a semicircular arched head; the arch form starts from two corbels at the spring line and is projected from the wall surface. The chimneys are brick masonry with expanded tops resting on corbels. A one-story, flat-roofed frame porch runs the length of the east front and is supported by six hexagonal columns, of which the four center ones are paired. The front entrance door is flanked by two rectangular sidelights. Centered above the porch on the second floor is a large gothic window where a center gable extends from the main roof.

The rear portion is one story and is constructed of brick masonry painted white. The window forms are similar to those of the front portion, and there are also a number of stained glass windows. The roof is hipped with quartered corners and a flat center section similar to a "captain's walk." A wrought iron railing is built around the perimeter of the "captain's walk," and further ornamentation is added by the brackets and dentils of the roof eave.

Under the rear portion of the house is a lower level which has been converted to a garage. This alteration was facilitated by the incline on which the house sits.

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3. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) ~~1897-1900~~ 1861

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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The house where Amelia Earhart was born and raised was built in 1861 by her grandfather, Judge Alfred G. Otis. She was born in the southwest bedroom of the second floor. Although there is some disagreement about the date of her birth, records of the Trinity Episcopal Church of Atchison indicate the date was July 24, 1897. Her father, Edwin Stanton Earhart, was a lawyer whose position as claims agent for a railroad required him to travel a great deal. Consequently Amelia and her sister Muriel stayed with their grandparents much of the time. In one of her books she mentioned that she had attended grammar school in Atchison until the eighth grade and had skipped two grades in the process.

The accomplishments of Amelia Earhart in the field of aviation were many. However, she is best remembered as the first woman to make a solo flight across the Atlantic, May 20-21, 1932. For this achievement she was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross by Vice-President Charles Curtis on July 29, 1932.

On July 2, 1937, while on a round-the-world flight with her navigator, Fred Noonan, she disappeared in the Pacific and was presumed dead.

Amelia Earhart was a person whose accomplishments have deservedly received recognition. Even though she lived in many different cities, she considered Atchison her hometown. Probably she spent more of her life in the Otis house than anywhere else. The Amelia Earhart Birthplace represents almost the only remaining tangible association with the famous aviatrix.

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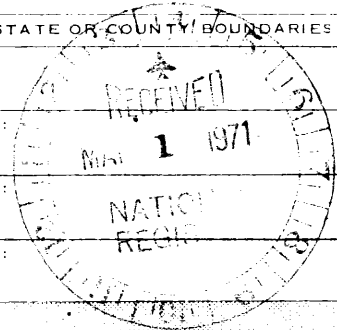
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STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE



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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: **Richard Pankratz, Planner**

ORGANIZATION: **Kansas State Historical Society** DATE: **November 23, 1970**

STREET AND NUMBER: **120 West Tenth St.**

CITY OR TOWN: **Topeka** STATE: **Kansas 66612** CODE: **20**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name: Nyle H. Miller
 Title: Executive Secretary, Kansas State Historical Society
 Date: November 30, 1970

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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

Grant A. Corns
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

APR 16 1971

Date: _____

ATTEST:

William J. Smithey
 Keeper of the National Register

Date: MAR 29 1971

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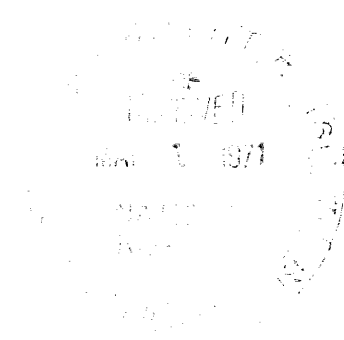
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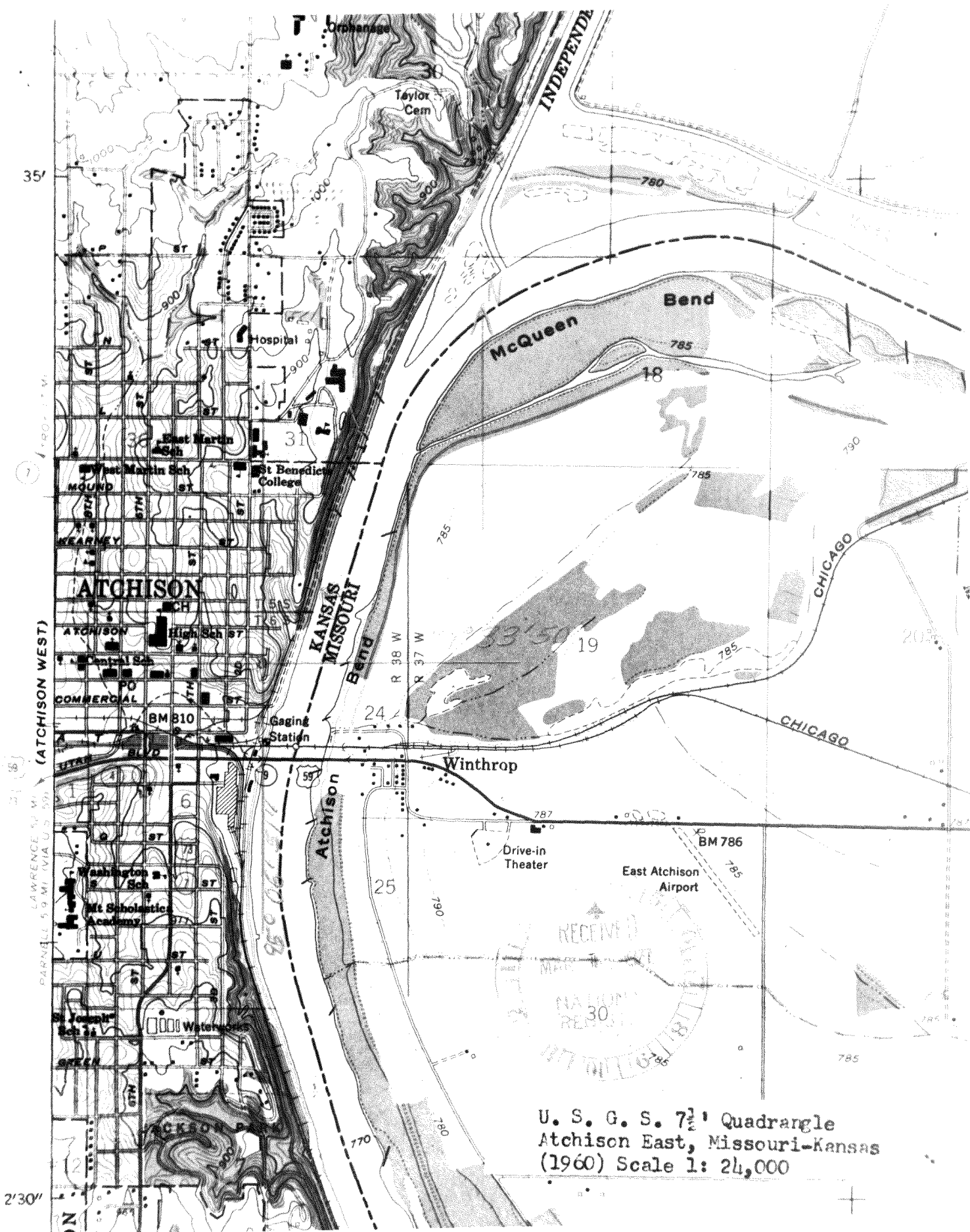
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