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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORMSEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Harley E. Green House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

N of Bear

CITY, TOWN

Bear City

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Third

STATE

Arkansas

CODE

05

COUNTY

Garland

CODE

051

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☐ OCCUPIED☒ UNOCCUPIED☒ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☒ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

James R. Berryhill

STREET & NUMBER

522 Spring Street

CITY, TOWN

Hot Springs

VICINITY OF

STATE

Arkansas 71901

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Recorders Office of Garland County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Ouachita Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Hot Springs

STATE

Arkansas 71901

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY 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 1885

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Harley E. Green House is a two-storey frame structure which uses the Latin cross plan. There are shed roofed piles between each leg of the cross. Front (east) piles are porches and rear piles (west) are small shed roofed rooms. A narrow shed roofed porch projects from the kitchen. The roof is gabled with a central chimney and gable pediments have imbricated shingles and are joined by carved vergeboards. The half gables of the sheds have imbricated shingles. The structure is finished in weatherboard. Porches are supported by turned posts and by jigsaw brackets. Turned balustrades link the lower posts, and turned rod and spool work links the upper area of the posts. Windows on the front cross leg are pedimented as is the window on the lower north leg. Upper windows on the north and south elevations and windows on the rear are butt-board with slim cornice molds. Mullions are asymmetrically placed on the front (east) leg and on the rear leg. There is a single pedimented dormer with gabled roof on the rear.

The front entrance door has a four-light panel; below is a radiating sun design. Over the four-lights is a carved broken pediment design. Interior doors and some windows have bull's eye corner and plinth blocks. Other windows are decorated with fan design corner blocks and have carved fan and floral design top pieces. An open stair with a round turn leads upstairs. The stair is paneled with curved fan and floral designs. Supporting the stair is a richly carved column. A vine wraps the column shaft. Above the circular necking is a stylized Ionic capital. In the dining room is a carved built-in cabinet. The two glazed upper doors are decorated with fan designs. Drawers have saw-tooth-cuts, and the top piece is a scrolllike design.

On the rear of the property is a gabled roof barn, once used to house the family carriage and livestock.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

| PERIOD | AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW | | | |
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| <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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) Mining |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION | | |

SPECIFIC DATES 1885

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Harley E. Green

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Harley E. Green House in western Arkansas is an historically significant structure representing a rural town which was greatly affected by a nineteenth century gold and silver rush. Architecturally, the Harley E. Green House is a carpenter's fantasy. The house, constructed in 1885, is richly detailed with Eastlake-cut doors, windows, cabinets, and stairs. The asymmetrical mullions of the windows are unusually designed. Even the plan, a Latin Cross, is an oddity in a period where most vernacular buildings were rectangular in plan with a single projecting bay. The house, while not belonging to any particular style (although the house does have some Queen Anne elements in its shingle work, and turned and bracketed posts and carvings), is certainly a significant vernacular cottage.

Bear City, Arkansas, is an area rich in history, both fact and fiction. In this section of the state was one of the largest gold and silver booms in the history of Arkansas. The 1880 census of Bear City, Arkansas, lists a few farmers and small businesses. Rumors of gold and silver began a few years later, causing the population to swell as miners and speculators flooded the area. Many of the farmers in the community did not accept the rumors of gold deposits; they took advantage of high land prices, sold out, and moved away from Bear City. At the height of the "boom" Bear City was larger than the Garland County seat, Hot Springs. The town contained a flourishing business district, including twenty-seven hotels, and supported three newspapers.

Harley E. Green, a local woodcraftsman, was believed to have settled in Bear City around 1851. Prior to the boom, he had established a small factory which produced chairs, violins, and grandfather clocks, all delicately designed and carved by Green. With the vast enlargement of the population of Bear City, Green formed a company with another local craftsman known as the Bixby and Green Construction Company. Green also maintained half ownership in a mining interest, and ran a drugstore and a grist mill. In addition to these activities, Harley Green housed the local telephone exchange in his home and served as Justice of the Peace in the community.

With the great demand for new construction and design talents brought about by the gold and silver boom, Green's services were often requested. The Bixby and Green Construction Company was responsible for most of the new construction in Bear City brought about as a result of the boom. Although there are no exact records to indicate the number of structures Green designed and built,

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

The 1976 Record - Hot Springs Historical Society
The Hot Springs News - Issues 1882-1888
Inez Cline - Hot Springs Historical Society
Personal References: Bear, Arkansas

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1

QUADRANGLE NAME Crystal Springs, Arkansas

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24,000

UTM REFERENCES 820

A 15 474 870 3821660

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ZONE EASTING NORTHING

ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION Pt NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 29 Township 2, South Range, 21 West

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

| STATE | CODE | COUNTY | CODE |
|-------|------|--------|------|
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| STATE | CODE | COUNTY | CODE |
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE DESCRIPTION: Frezil Miller

SIGNIFICANCE: Sandra Taylor Smith

ORGANIZATION

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program

DATE

May 1, 1979

STREET & NUMBER

Suite 500, Continental Bldg., Main & Markham

TELEPHONE

501-371-2763

CITY OR TOWN

Little Rock

STATE

Arkansas 72201

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 Joan Williams Baldridge

TITLE State Historic Preservation Program

DATE May 8, 1979

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

ATTEST:

William L. Baldwin
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

DATE

DATE

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it is believed to be well over fifty. Today there are only four structures left which represent Harley E. Green's workmanship in Bear City, Arkansas. Accepted to be the finest example remaining of Green's talents is the home he constructed for himself in 1885.

The gold and silver boom in Bear City began to decline in 1895 as miners realized it was costing them more to extract the metal than it was worth. By 1900 hundreds of residents had left Bear City, leaving over one-hundred mining shafts behind. Bear City continued its decline until 1933 when the discontinuation of local postal service officially marked the end of the town's brief history.

Today Bear City is inhabited by a few year-round residents, but it is most often noted as an area one passes in heading toward Lake Ouachita. This man-made lake destroyed another "gold boom" town known as Crystal, thus making Bear City the last remaining reminder of the gold rush in Garland County. The Harley E. Green house, in addition to architectural significance, possesses merit in its representation of the gold and silver boom in Bear City.

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Property Green, Harley E. House
State Ark (Garland) Working Number 5.15.79. 1144

TECHNICAL

Photos 5
Maps 1

Listing incorrect

CONTROL

pl
5.15.79

HISTORIAN

House has strong local significance through association with H. E. Green and gold and silver boom which was responsible for Bear City's enormous growth in last two decades of 19th century.

Accept
Sheffield 7-18-79

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

HAER

Inventory _____
Review _____

This latin-cross version of an Eastlake Style house has local architectural significance as one of four remaining examples built by a local carpenter-builder. It was his personal residence during the "gold boom" period the community experienced in the late 19th century, and may be the finest example of his workmanship.

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

Accept
Gate 1 Books
July 19, 1979

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

National Register Write-up
Federal Register Entry

8-7-79

Send-back _____
Re-submit _____

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Harley E. Green House

Bear City, Arkansas

Bob Dunn

1979

Harland co.

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View from the northeast

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Harley E. Green House
Bear City, Arkansas
Bob Dunn
1979

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view from the southwest

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interior stair

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dining room cabinet

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for Mr. & Mrs. Green



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Bear City, Arkansas

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1979

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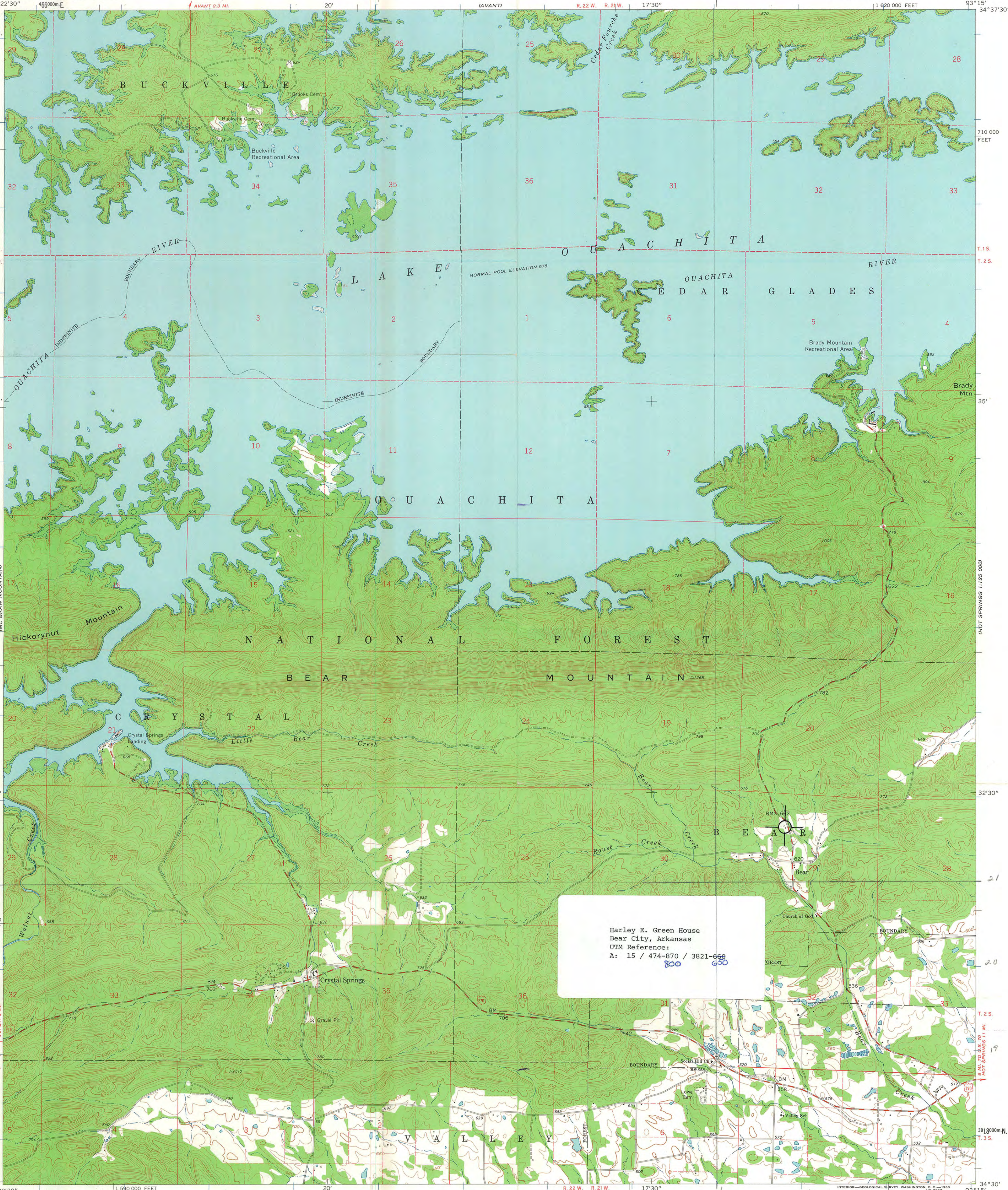
barn to the northwest of house,

viewed from the southeast

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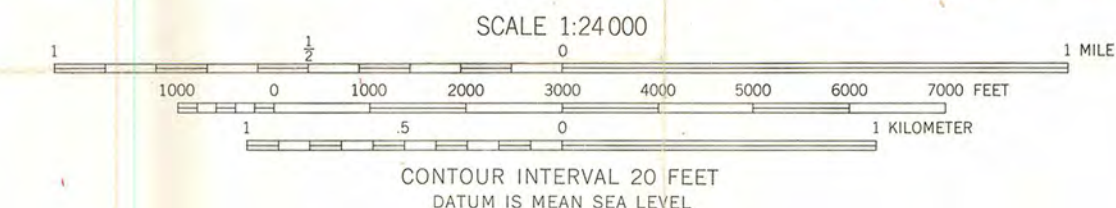
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Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial
photographs taken 1961. Field checked 1962
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Arkansas coordinate system, south zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 15, shown in blue
Areas covered by dashed light-blue pattern
are subject to controlled inundation
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked

APPROXIMATE MEAN
DECLINATION, 1962



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ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Medium-duty ——— Light-duty ———
Unimproved dirt =====
U.S. Route

JUL 19 1979
CRYSTAL SPRINGS, ARK.
N3430—W9315/7.5

TELEPHONE REPORT

OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

PROJECT: *Dreen, Hanley E., House*

TO/FROM: *Diana Kirk*

DATE: *7-18-79*

ADDRESS: *Ark. SHPO'S*

PHONE:

STAFF MEMBER: *Sheffield*

DIVISION: *NR*

REPORT:

Gave her corrected UTM.

TELEPHONE REPORT

OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

PROJECT: Harley E. Green House, Bear

TO/FROM: Dianna Kirk

DATE: July 19, 1979

ADDRESS: AR SHPO

PHONE: 501-371-2764

STAFF MEMBER: Gale Brooks

DIVISION: NR

REPORT:

Called Dianna to request information on the occupancy. I told her it appeared vacant and possibly abandoned. She said that was not the case; the current owner uses it only occasionally as a vacation house.

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE **ARKANSAS**

Date Entered **JUL 19 1979**

Name

Location

Green, Harley E., House

**Bear vicinity
Garland County**

Also Notified

Honorable Dale Bumpers

Honorable David Pryor
Honorable John P. Hammerschmidt

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Ms. Joan Baldrige
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Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

NR Byers/bjr 7/25/79

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