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### National Register of Historic Places Registration Form



This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines* for Completing National Register Forms (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

| 1. Name of Property   |   |                           |  |
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| historic name Pattie Cobb Hall  |   |                           |  |
| other names/site number Resource #WH2041  |   |                           |  |
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| city, town Searcy   | . 1/5   | vicinity N/A              |  |
| state Arkansas code AR county White   | code 145  | zip code 72143            |  |
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#### Description

The building known as Pattie Cobb Hall is located on the tree-shaded campus of Harding University in Searcy. This large, Colonial Revival structure was built in 1919 of reinforced concrete with a brick facade. There have been a few alterations to its exterior throughout the years and the interior was completely renovated in 1988; however, the building's integrity was not affected and it is still in excellent condition.

The dormitory has a three-story, irregular floor plan that includes a full basement and a continuous cast concrete foundation. Its Colonial Revival details include a roof-line balustrade, a full-facade recessed porch supported by Ionic capital columns, dentil molding at the cornice and six-over-six double-hung sash windows with stone sills and keystone lintels. A cast concrete, circular porch has been added to the original one-bay, central front porch on the east elevation. Its two-story-high flat roof is supported by plain concrete columns. The simple wooden balustrades on the first and second stories of the side porch are also recent alterations; the originals that they replaced resembled the roof-line balustrade with its decoratively carved baluster columns.

The two side porches are located on the T-shaped north and south elevations. The recessed porch on the north elevation extends across the entire facade and its three stories are supported by large Ionic columns and brick pilasters. Multi-paned french doors topped with transoms allow entrance from the porch to the building's interior. The porch on the south elevation is an enclosed, two-story projection that exhibits one multi-paned, rounded-arch window on its eastern side. The foundations of these porch elevations also contain unusual rounded-arch openings. The building's longer east and west elevations exhibit a continuous row of the six-over-six double-hung sash windows. The original one-bay, central front porch on the east elevation boasts an unusual set of multi-paned french doors topped not only with a two-part transom window, but also with an elliptical fanlight and keystone. All porches are flat-roofed with dentil molding along the cornices.

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| Criteria Considerations (Exceptions)                                 |            | □E □F □G                            |                                  |
| Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions) Education |            | Period of Significance<br>1919 - 33 | Significant Dates<br>1919        |
| Architecture   |            | 1919                                | N/A                              |
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|  |            | Cultural Affiliation<br>N/A         |                                  |
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| 9. Major Bibliographical References   | accus affilia plat la companiation   |
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| previously listed in the National Register  | Other State agency                   |
| previously determined eligible by the National Register   | Federal agency                       |
| designated a National Historic Landmark   | Local government                     |
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Significance

Pattie Cobb Hall was built in 1919 as a facility for Galloway Female College, a Methodist institution that was founded in 1889 and continued for the next 44 years as the state's only women's college and one of a mere handful in the entire South [see Historic Context 3: Railroad Era]. The college gained a reputation throughout the area of incorporating high academic and moral standards among its enrollment of "Galloway Girls" and remained a great source of pride to Searcians during its tenure. Its closing in 1933, due to a large deficit and declining attendance, drew emotional protests from members of the community. Fortunately, Harding College, a Church of Christ institution that had been located in Morillton, Arkansas, decided to purchase the Galloway facilities less than a year later [see Historic Context 4: Boom and Bust]. As one of only two remaining buildings from the Galloway College years and the only one without excessive alteration, the dormitory is significant on a statewide level under National Register Criterion A for its association with the area's educational development, and as a symbol of a civilized, cultured lifestyle that resulted from the railroad's influence in an otherwise frontier area [see the associated property type significance statement for Railroad Era Religious and Institutional Buildings].

Its interesting variation of the Colonial Revival style also makes this structure significant on a local level under Criterion C [see the associated property type description statement for Railroad Era Religious and Institutional Buildings]. The dormitory stands as a representative of the forms, methods of construction and high artistic values that were popular during this period of expansion and relative prosperity brought about by the railroad.

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#### Verbal Boundary Description:

Lot 23 of the Watkins & Quarrles Addition to the Town of Searcy.

#### Boundary Justification:

This boundary includes all the property historically associated with this resource.

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| 91001302   | Doyle, David, House No. 2  | 9-5-91      |

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