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HISTORIC RESOURCES OF STONE COUNTY
STONE COUNTY, ARKANSAS

MRA

ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM

Survey Number ST-3

Owner Mr. & Mrs. Dupree Fountain, et. al.

Property Name Walter Gray House

Address 8212 Luwanda St.

Location Melrose ^{OFF} AR 14

Little Rock, AR 72205

Significant Date/s c.1910

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

Located in the southeast portion of Stone County, the Walter Gray House stands approximately .5 mile south of Highway 14 which runs between Mountain View and Batesville, the government seat of Independence County. The house, oriented on a north-south axis, sits perpendicular to an unimproved road that leads into the foothills to the west. Built by Walter Gray in 1910, the house is a one story dogtrot with an original two room rear ell extending from the west end. The frame weatherboard house rests on a stone pier foundation and is covered with a cross gabled roof.

The principal elevation (north) presents a handsome symmetrically proportioned dogtrot facade dressed with a full-length hip-roofed porch, which is supported by chamfered posts. The balustrade reflects a local craftsman's design of alternating the lengths of the squared balusters with the taller members supporting the handrail. The open hall, which separates the two pens, allows access to each pen by way of wood paneled doors. Screened-in rectangular frames set on weatherboard bases partially enclosed the hallway, creating a single door opening. Each pen has two symmetrically arranged four-over-four double-hung windows within simple classical surrounds.

The west elevation consists of an exterior stone chimney and the west side of the rear ell. The chimney, located on the gable end of the west pen, is built of sawn cube-shaped stones. Laying the cubes on end presents a veneer surface not commonly used in the construction of chimneys in Stone County. The west fenestration is also made of four-over-four windows enclosed in simple classical facing. The secondary paneled wood door provides access to the kitchen in the ell.

The rear elevation (south) is dominated by the rear ell and a L-shaped porch. Although uncertain of the date, the porch was later enclosed with screen and wood. A single four-over-four window defines the ell's gable end as well as the east gable end of the dogtrot's east pen.

A stone ancillary structure, built in recent years, sits adjacent to the northwest corner of the front porch.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Walter Gray House, built in 1910, represents the continued use of the traditional house plans into the twentieth century. Constructed on a dogtrot or two pen with open hall, the house reflects the use of the rear ell in the original building plan. The survey showed the dogtrot to be one of two of the most popu-

lar houses types during this period in Stone County. Walter Gray was a successful farmer and businessman in the southeast part of the county.

Verbal Boundary Description: The nominated property, located within the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 21, R8W, T13N, is bounded on the west by an improved road and on the north, south and east by lines running parallel to and 50 ft. from the three major facades of the house.

Acreage: less than 1

Quadrangle Name: Concord

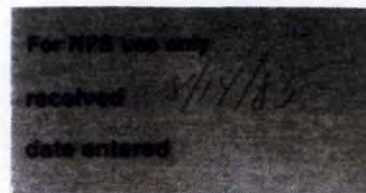
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UTM Reference:

Zone:15

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Northing: 3955390

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Stone County MRA
State ARKANSAS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

11. Gray, Walter, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 9/17/85

Attest

12. Lancaster, Fred, Barn

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National Register

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13. Dillard, William, Homestead

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14. Jeffery, Miles, Barn

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15. Abernathy, Jessie, House

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16. Anderson, Clarence, Barn

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17. Anderson, George, House

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18. Avey, John, Barn

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19. Brewer, A. B., Building

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20. Bettis, John, House

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

REF #
J5002212

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Gray, Walter, House (Stone County MRA)
Stone County
ARKANSAS

AUG 14 1985

Working No. _____

Fed. Reg. Date: 2-4-86

Date Due: 9/12/85 9/28/85

Action: ☒ ACCEPT 9-17-85

☐ RETURN

☐ REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

Entered in the
National Register

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____

Reviewer _____

Discipline _____

Date _____

_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition	Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> moved
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed	date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ alterations/integrity
☐ dates
☐ boundary selection

8. 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
- ☐ context
- ☐ relationship of integrity to significance
- ☐ justification of exception
- ☐ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References

Verbal boundary description and justification

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

____ national ____ state ____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title

date

13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



RESOURCE PHOTOGRAPH SHEET

ARKANSAS
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Walter Gray House, ST-3

Melrose

Don Brown, photographer

1983

Negative on file at the AHPP

Viewed from the north



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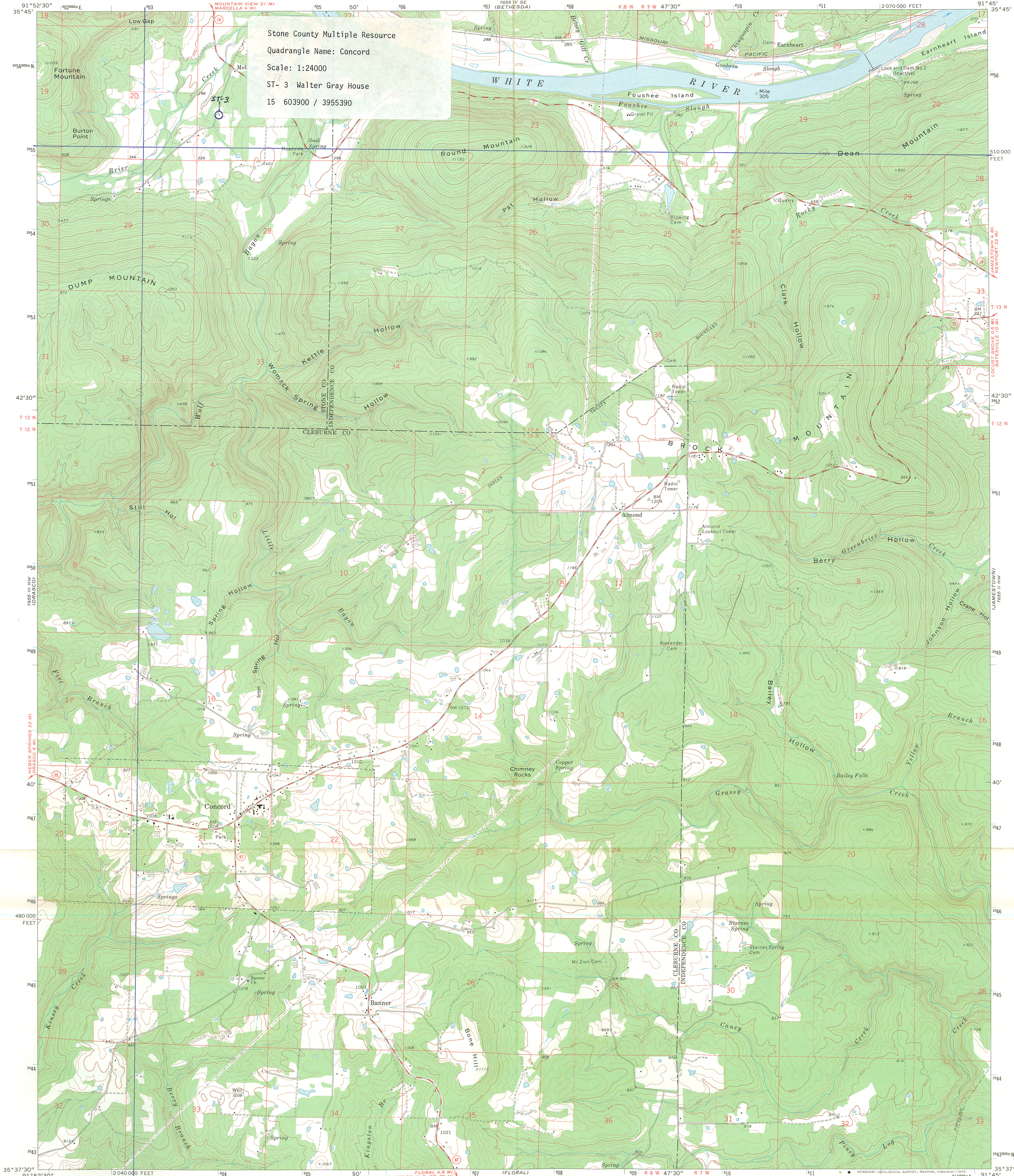
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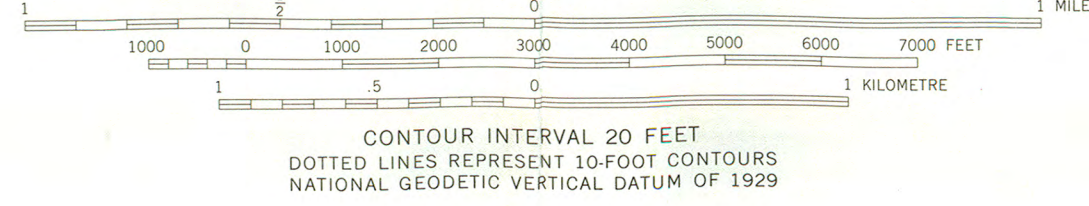
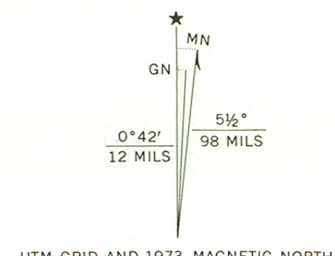
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Viewed from the east

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zone 15, shown in blue. 1927 North American datum
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked



ROAD CLASSIFICATION	
Primary highway, hard surface	Light-duty road, hard or improved surface
Secondary highway, hard surface	Unimproved road
Interstate Route	U.S. Route
	State Route

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