

KK 10/24/78

TAX REFORM ACT

Property Dunham, Joseph Starr, Jr.  
State Ark. Working Number 10-10-78

BOUNDARY REVISION  
INCREASE  
DECREASE  
MOVE ☒ Proposed  
OCT 17 1978

TECHNICAL  
Photos 4  
Maps 1

CONTROL  
pl  
OK 10.12.78  
HISTORIAN

Move: the need for move, value of house, and impact on  
need area done quite well in context of regulations.  
Significance of house historically to town more than ~~outways~~  
outways loss of some site integrity.

sheffy  
11-20-78

Agree with Marcella's comment - loss of structure  
would affect integrity of remaining houses in area, also appears to be of  
exceptional design quality & listing should be retained. KTP 12-6-78

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

Based on quality of presentation &  
acceptable impact on property

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF  
sheffy  
- Accept 12-7-78

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS BOUNDARY REVISION IS ACCEPTED

for Charles Atkinson  
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE 12-7-78

ATTEST: Marcella Sheffy  
CHIEF, BRANCH OF REGISTRATION

DATE 12-7-78

THIS FORM IS TO BE FILED WITH THE NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATION.  
State notified ☒ Federal Register ☐ Control Cards ☒ ADP ☐

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none approved 12/9/78

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Present owner 10/17/78  
Bruce Olsen  
7724 P. Evanston St  
Tulsa, OK 74136 2075

Moving the Joseph Starr Dunham House

The Joseph Starr Dunham House in Van Buren was listed on the National Register on May 3, 1976. Built ca. 1870, the house is significant in the areas of architecture and journalism. The building is a small, frame, Victorian dwelling with outstanding "gingerbread" detailing. Window and gable shapes are characteristic of the Gothic-Revival. The original owner of the house, Joseph Starr Dunham, founded the Van Buren Press in 1859.

Bruce Olsen of Tulsa, Oklahoma recently purchased the house at an auction with the stipulation that, once purchased, the building be moved from its present site by October 14, 1978. If the building is not moved it will probably be destroyed. Olsen will only finalize his purchase of the structure and agree to move the house if it remains on the National Register.

In compliance with federal regulations, the following are the facts surrounding the move.

60.16(b) (2)

- (i) "The reasons for the move;" The present owners of the house auctioned the house in June 15, 1978 with the written understanding that the house must be moved within 90 days of its purchase.
- (ii) "The effect on the properties historical integrity;" The architectural integrity of the house will not be impaired by the move. Historically, it is important that the building remain in Van Buren because of its association with Joseph Starr Dunham, founder of the Van Buren Press. The original site of the building now borders a major, commercially-developed Van Buren street. The original site has lost some of its visual integrity.
- (iii) Concerning "The new setting and general environment of the proposed site, including evidence that the proposed site does not possess historical significance that would be adversely affected by the intrusion."

The new site is a vacant lot at the corner of Fourth and Drennen Streets in Van Buren. The facade will face Drennen Street (see map). The new site shares the same block as the original site of the structure. The building will face

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southeast rather than its current northwest facing. Though located in an historic neighborhood, the building on its new site will not significantly impair the historical integrity of the proposed, new site.

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**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

*He*  
Joseph Starr Dunham House

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

418 Broadway

CITY, TOWN

Van Buren

STATE

Arkansas

VICINITY OF

CODE

05

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Third

COUNTY

Crawford

CODE

033

**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

Mrs. Ben Bulloch

STREET & NUMBER

418 Broadway

CITY, TOWN

Van Buren

VICINITY OF

STATE

Arkansas

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Circuit Clerk's Office

STREET & NUMBER

Crawford County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Van Buren

STATE

Arkansas

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

\_\_\_FEDERAL \_\_\_STATE \_\_\_COUNTY \_\_\_LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE



## 7 DESCRIPTION

### CONDITION

\_\_\_EXCELLENT

XGOOD

\_\_\_FAIR

\_\_\_DETERIORATED

\_\_\_RUINS

\_\_\_UNEXPOSED

### CHECK ONE

\_\_\_UNALTERED

XALTERED

### CHECK ONE

XORIGINAL SITE

\_\_\_MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_

### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Joseph S. Dunham House on Broadway Street in Van Buren, Arkansas, is a two-storey structure of wood construction. Built c. 1870, the house is ell-shaped with one-storey enclosures on the rear elevation.

Architecturally, the Dunham House is reflective of the Victorian-Gothic style in its arched windows, gabled bays and ornamentation. The house is topped by a gable roof supported by decorative brackets. Steeply gabled bays are featured on the second-storey of the facade. The appearance of the house gives an overall impression of well-balanced symmetry.

The most interesting features of the Dunham House are displayed on the facade. A wide one-storey porch spans the width of the facade. This porch is supported by six slender spiral posts topped with delicate ornamental brackets. Pilasters similar to the spiral porch posts further decorate the facade. A decorative, wrought-iron cresting forms a deck on top of the flat-roofed porch. On the second-storey level a large center bay with a steeply gabled-roof is flanked by two smaller but identical bays. These bays feature decorative bargeboard set into each gable end. In contrast to the steep gables of these bays are their round arched windows. The large center bay features paired windows with a semi-polygon-shaped window head. Shutters enhance the windows in the bays.

A paneled entry door with paired, octagonal-shaped lites in the transom is entered directly under the large central bay. Above the door is a dentiled cornice supported by brackets. The entry is flanked by tall slender windows, two on each side. These windows are double-hung four-over-four-lite and are topped with a cornice supported by decorative brackets.

The north elevation of the Dunham House is marked by a three-sided bay on the first-storey level. The bay is flat-roofed and topped with wrought-iron cresting. Decorative paired brackets flanking the center section support the roof. Single brackets support the roof on the side sections of the bay. The cornice is marked with dentil work. Paired windows on the second-storey level above the three-sided bay are arched and topped by a semi-polygon-shaped window head.

The south elevation features a one-storey rectangular-shaped projection. This projection features a flat roof supported by paired decorative brackets on the outside corners. Wrought-iron cresting surrounds the roof, forming a deck, as on the facade. Paired arched windows on the second-storey level, identical to those on the north elevation, are also topped by a semi-polygon-shaped window head.

The Dunham House remained totally unaltered until 1932, when it was remodeled for living purposes. During this remodeling a one-storey porch on the north elevation was screened-in. A large porch on the rear elevation was enclosed and divided into a dining room, kitchen, bedroom and sleeping porch.

The interior plan of the Dunham House is a large central hall with two rooms

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on each side downstairs and two rooms off each side of a center hall upstairs. A steep, curved stairway rises from the center hall to the second storey. Decorative features on the stairway include ornamental brackets located on the ends of the riser. A round, panelled newel post and turned balusters further enhance the decorative effect.

The Dunham House rests on a corner lot on one of Van Buren's busiest streets. Still in very good condition, the Dunham House has retained its original exterior appearance.

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1870

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Joseph Starr Dunham House in Van Buren, Arkansas, is a two-storey structure of wood construction. Built c. 1870 the main significance of the house lies in the area of architecture. It presents characteristics of the Victorian-Gothic style of architecture in the utilization of arched windows, gabled bays and ornamentation. The facade of the Dunham House best illustrates its architectural uniqueness. A wide one-storey porch is supported by spiral posts topped with delicate brackets. Wrought-iron cresting surrounds the top of the porch. A large center bay flanked by identical smaller bays is located on the second-storey level of the facade. These bays feature steep gables, decorative brackets and round-arched windows. The house is also an important local landmark in its association with Joseph Starr Dunham, who established the Van Buren Press in 1859.

Joseph Starr Dunham was born in Connecticut in 1823, the son of William H. and Francis Starr Dunham. At the age of thirteen Dunham began apprenticeship to the printer's trade. William D. Starr, an uncle to Dunham, had been established in the printing business in Middletown, Connecticut, for a number of years and took a special effort to instill his knowledge in his young nephew.

In 1859 Dunham left Connecticut and started westward. In Ohio he purchased enough materials to set up a printing office. By the end of 1859 Dunham had settled in Van Buren, Arkansas, and established the Van Buren Press. This newspaper was strongly reflective of the effect the Reconstruction Era had on Van Buren. Dunham was a strong Democrat in defiance to the Reconstruction policies, and his newspaper was conducted on strict Democratic principles. Dunham was the sole proprietor of the Van Buren Press for the duration of the paper's existence, with the exception of a few years when his son assisted him in the management of the newspaper. Dunham developed into a strong writer, and this, coupled with his knowledge of printing, led him to be considered a leading journalist in northwestern Arkansas.

Joseph S. Dunham married Mary C. Ward of Middletown, Connecticut, in 1846. The Dunhams had four children, one of whom married Phillip Drennen Scott. Scott was the son of a prominent merchant in Van Buren and a grandson of John Drennen, a co-founder of the city.

Joseph S. Dunham lived in the house until his death in 1911. The house has never been out of the family and, at the present time, is owned by a great-granddaughter of J. S. Dunham. The Dunham House stands as a local landmark to the city of Van Buren as a part of the history of the city.



## 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than one acre

UTM REFERENCES

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ZONE EASTING NORTHING

B                    
ZONE EASTING NORTHING

C                  

D                  

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

Sandra Taylor, Historian

ORGANIZATION

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program

DATE

12-9-75

STREET & NUMBER

300 West Markham

TELEPHONE

501 - 371-1639

CITY OR TOWN

Little Rock

STATE

Arkansas

## 12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL   

STATE   

LOCAL ✓

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 Anne Bartley

TITLE

State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

12-9-75

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

Acting W. J. [Signature]

DATE

8/8/76

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

Charles [Signature]

DATE

5-3-76

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Property

Dunham, Joseph Starr, House

Crawford Co.

76000400

State

Ark.

Working Number

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TECHNICAL

Photos

5

Maps

1

CONTROL

OK pl  
1.5.76

HISTORIAN

Accept  
E. Smith  
1-21-76

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

Accept  
Slovich  
1-23-76

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

HAER

Inventory \_\_\_\_\_

Review \_\_\_\_\_

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

Accept  
Cole  
4-28-76

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KEEPER

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1. JOSEPH STARR DUNHAM HOUSE  
CRAWFORD COUNTY, ARKANSAS

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**2 LOCATION**

CITY, TOWN

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**3 PHOTO REFERENCE**

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DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. IF DISTRICT, GIVE BUILDING NAME & STREET

Facade, viewed from the northwest

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have House  
ty., Ark  
Facade, viewed  
from northwest

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2. JOSEPH STARR DUNHAM HOUSE  
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FACADE AND SOUTH ELEVATION, VIEWED FROM THE SOUTHWEST

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Facade and south elevation, viewed from the southwest

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Facade and south  
elevation, viewed  
fr. southwest

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3. JOSEPH STARR DUNHAM HOUSE  
CRAWFORD COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
NORTH ELEVATION, VIEWED FROM THE NORTH-EAST

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North elevation, viewed from the northeast

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viewed from north-  
east

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4. JOSEPH STARR DUNHAM HOUSE  
CRAWFORD COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
BAY ON NORTH ELEVATION

REGISTER

House

Ark.

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Bay on north elevation

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CURVED STAIRWAY IN CENTER HALL

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Curved stairway in center hall

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Dunham House  
Van Buren , Arkansas  
Bruce Olsen  
1978

Bruce Olsen  
View of proposed location of the  
house corner of 4th and Drennen  
looking north  
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#2

← 4TH ST. →

Dunham House  
Van Buren, Arkansas

Bruce Olsen

1978

Bruce Olsen


View of proposed site for house  
looking east

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← DRENNE ST. →

Dunham House

Van Buren, Arkansas

Bruce Olsen

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Bruce Olsen

View of Proposed site of house  
looking north

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Dunham House

Van Buren, Arkansas

Bruce Olsen

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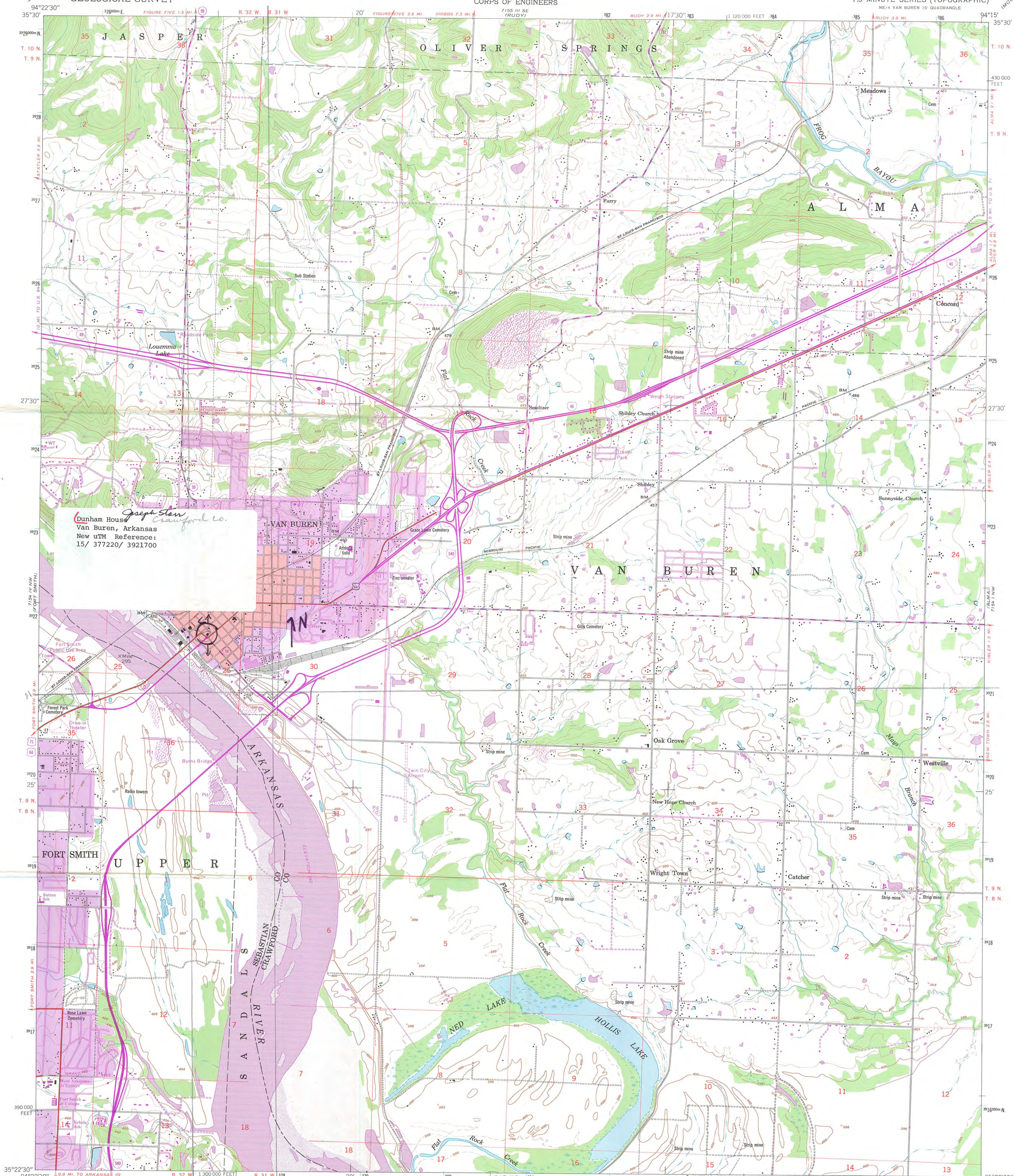
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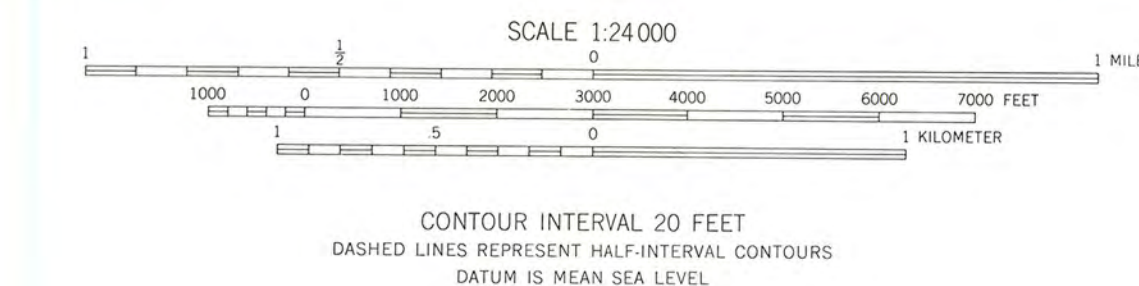
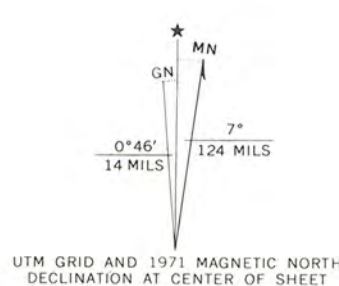
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Dunham House  
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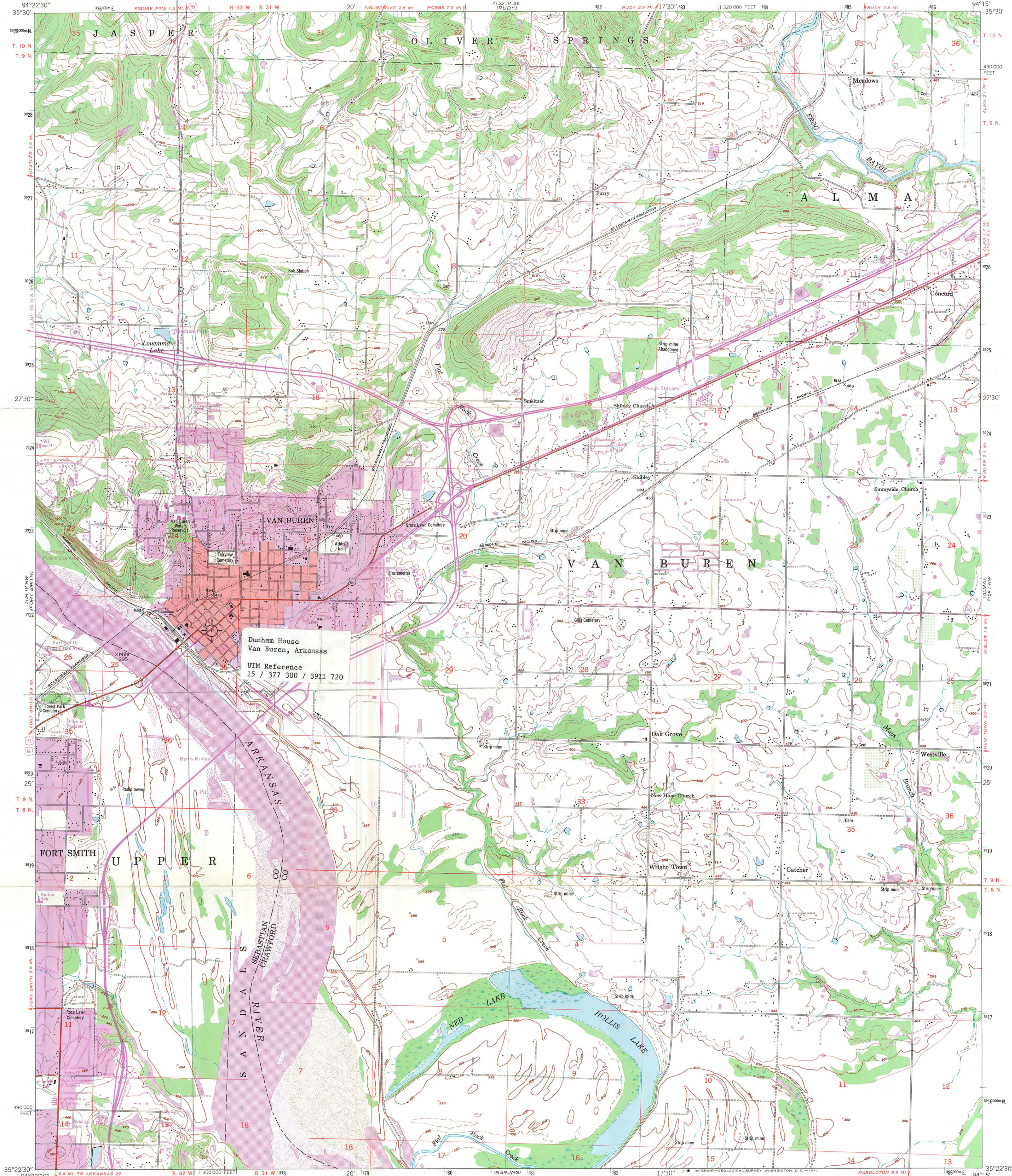
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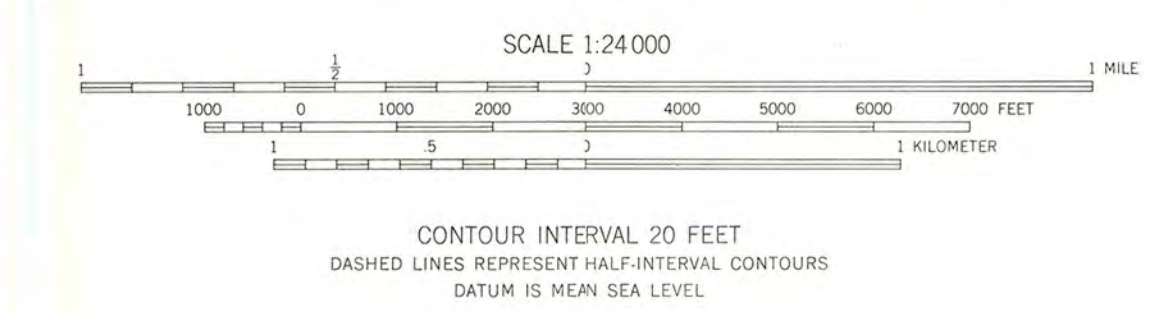
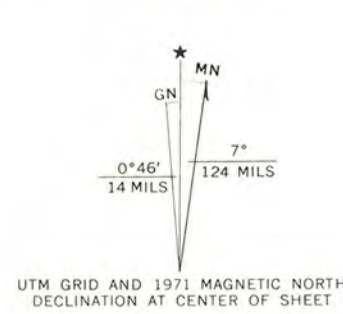
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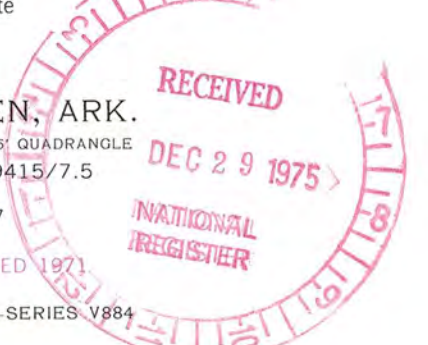
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zone 15, shown in blue



ROAD CLASSIFICATION  
Heavy-duty... 4 LANE 16 LANE Light duty...  
Medium-duty... 4 LANE 16 LANE Unimproved dirt...  
U. S. Route... State Route... Interstate Route...  
VAN BUREN, ARK.  
NE 1/4 VAN BUREN 15' QUADRANGLE  
N 3522.5-W 9415/7.5  
1947  
PHOTO REVISITED 1971  
AMS 7154 IV NE-SERIES V884

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS  
FOR SALE BY U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, DENVER, COLORADO 80225, OR WASHINGTON, D. C. 20242  
AND BY THE ARKANSAS GEOLOGICAL COMMISSION, LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72201  
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

Revisions shown in purple compiled by the Geological Survey from  
aerial photographs taken 1971. This information not field checked  
Purple tint indicates extension of urban areas





UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
PROPERTY MAP FORM**

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- ENCLOSE WITH MAP

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Joseph Starr Dunham House

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

CITY, TOWN

Van Buren

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

COUNTY

Crawford

STATE

Arkansas

**3 MAP REFERENCE**

SOURCE United States Geological Survey

SCALE 1:24000

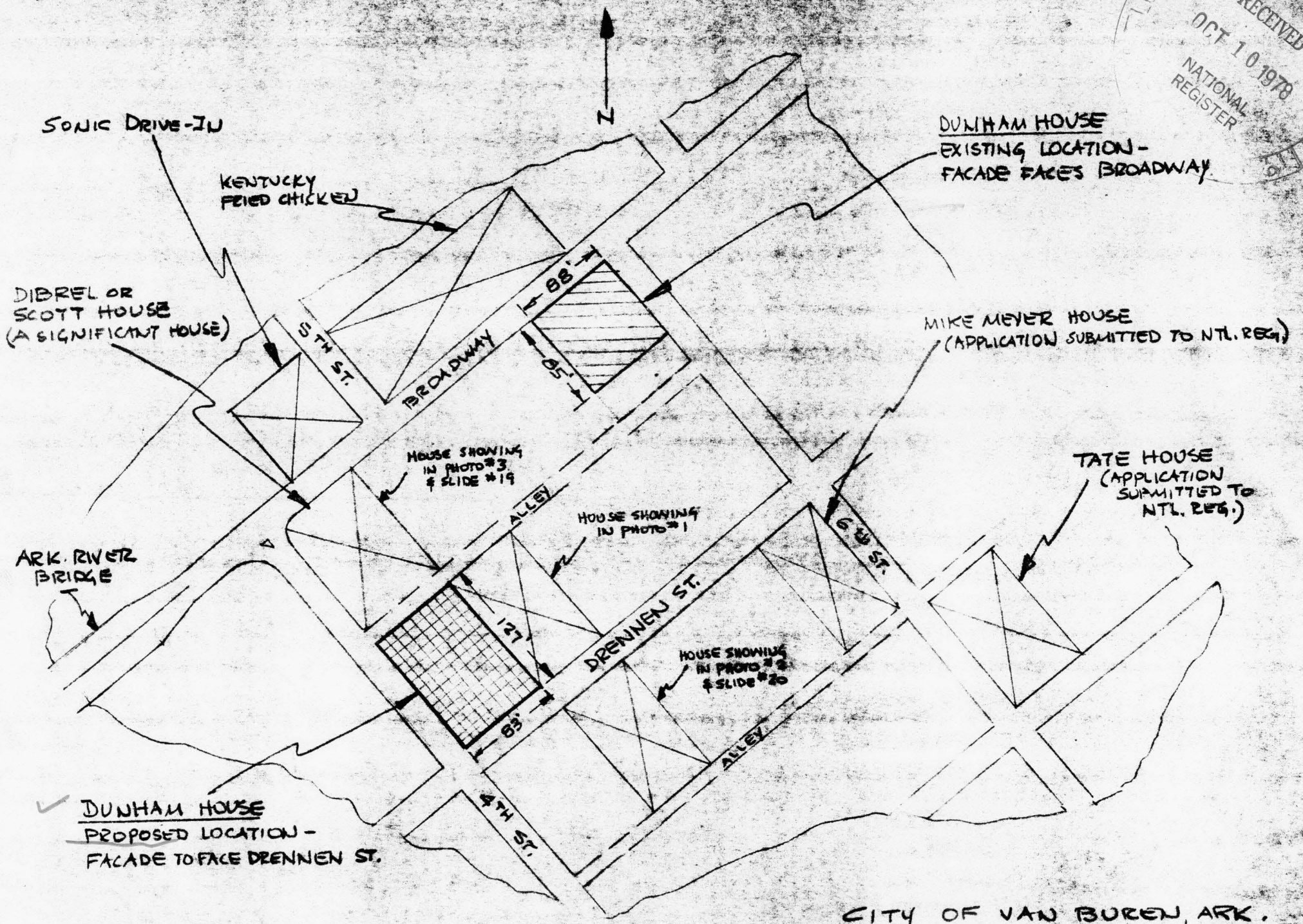
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**4 REQUIREMENTS**

TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. PROPERTY BOUNDARIES
2. NORTH ARROW
3. UTM REFERENCES

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CITY OF VAN BUREN, ARK.

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STATE    ARKANSAS

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church (St. Mary's Church)	Altus Vicinity Franklin County
Dunham, Joseph Starr, House	Van Buren Crawford County
O'Neel-Blackburn House	Daisy Vicinity Pike County
Blakely House	Social Hill Vicinity Hot Springs County
Stitt House	Hot Springs Garland County
Short-Dodson House	Hot Springs Garland County
Dearing House	Newark Vicinity Independence County

Also Notified

Hon. John L. McClellan  
Hon. Dale Gump  
Hon. John W. Hartschmidt  
Hon. Ray Thornton  
Hon. Bill Alexander  
Regional Director, Southwest Region

✓PR:M Mott:coc    5/5/76

State Historic Preservation Officer  
Ms. Anne Bartley  
Acting Director  
Department of Natural and Culture  
Heritage  
The Old State House  
300 West Markham  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201





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attn: Bill Lebovich

The addition of the Eureka Springs Railroad Depot was presented to and approved by the Arkansas State Review Committee on September 12, 1978. Also at this meeting the committee approved the new site location for the Dunham House (enclosed) and the addition of property to the Marlsgate nomination changing it to the Dortch Plantation.

1/5/79

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE    ARKANSAS

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Name

Location

Dunham, Joseph Starr, House

Van Buren  
Crawford County

Proposed move approved: 12/7/78.

Also Notified



# NATIONAL REGISTER DATA SHEET

1 NAME as it appears on federal register: **Dunham, Joseph Starr, House** 2 OTHER NAMES: 3 date of entry: **5-3-76** 4 county code: **033**

5 LOCATION street & number **418 Broadway** city / town **Van Buren** vicinity of state **AR** county **Crawford** 6 NPS REGION: **Southwest**

7 OWNER ☒ PRIVATE ☐ STATE ☐ MUNICIPAL ☐ COUNTY ☐ MULTIPLE ☐ FEDERAL (agency name) 8 ADMINISTRATOR: **SPAC**

9 EXISTING SURVEYS ☐ HABS ☐ HAER ☐ NHL 10 FUNDED? ☐ YES ☐ NO 11 CONGRESS. DISTRICT **3rd** 12 SOURCE of NOMINATION ☒ STATE ☐ FEDERAL (if state who prepared form?) 13 WITHIN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT? ☒ YES ☐ NO 14 WITHIN NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK? ☒ YES ☐ NO 15 ACREAGE **C1** 16 LOCAL ☐ PRIVATE ORGANIZATION ☐

16 CONDITION ☐ deteriorated ☒ altered ☒ original site ☐ excellent ☐ ruins ☐ unaltered ☐ moved ☒ good ☐ unexposed ☐ reconstructed ☐ unknown ☐ fair ☐ unexcavated ☐ excavated 17 features: INTERIOR ☐ SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-1 ☒ NOT INTACT-0 ☐ UNKNOWN-4 ☐ NOT APPLICABLE-7 EXTERIOR ☒ SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-2 ☐ NOT INTACT-0 ☐ UNKNOWN-5 ☐ NOT APPLICABLE-8 ENVIRONS ☐ SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-3 ☐ NOT INTACT-0 ☒ UNKNOWN-6 ☐ NOT APPLICABLE-9

18 ACCESS ☒ YES-Restricted ☐ YES-Unrestricted ☐ No Access ☐ Unknown 19 ADAPTIVE USE ☐ YES ☒ NO 20 SAVED? ☒ YES ☐ NO IS PROPERTY A HISTORIC DISTRICT? ☐ YES ☒ NO

21 AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE: ☐ ENGINEERING-11 ☐ LANDSCAPE ARCH.-15 ☐ POLITICS/GOVT.-21 ☐ RECREATION-28 ☐ ARCHEOLOGY-prehistoric-2 ☐ COMMERCE-6 ☐ ENTERTAINMENT-26 ☐ LAW-16 ☐ RELIGION-22 ☐ SETTLEMENT-29 ☐ ARCHEOLOGY-historic-1 ☐ COMMUNICATIONS-7 ☐ EXPLORATION-12 ☐ LITERATURE-17 ☐ SCIENCE-23 ☐ URBAN PLANNING-31 ☒ AGRICULTURE-3 ☐ CONSERVATION-8 ☐ HEALTH-27 ☐ MILITARY-18 ☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN-24 ☐ OTHER (SPECIFY) ☒ ARCHITECTURE-4 ☐ ECONOMICS-9 ☐ INDUSTRY-13 ☐ MUSIC-19 ☐ SOCIAL/CULTURAL-30 ☐ ART-5 ☐ EDUCATION-10 ☐ INVENTION-14 ☐ PHILOSOPHY-20 ☐ TRANSPORTATION-25

22 CLAIMS: explain 'first' ☐ 'oldest' ☐ 'only' ☐

23 functions WHEN HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT: **PRIVATE RESIDENCE** CURRENTLY: **PRIVATE RESIDENCE** 24 dates of initial construction: **c. 1870** major alterations: **1932, Porch enclosed** historic events: 25 ETHNIC GROUP ASSOCIATION

26 architectural style(s): **PICTURESQUE WITH ECLECTIC ELEMENTS** 27 architect: 28 master builder: 29 engineer:

30 landscape architect / garden designer: 31 interior decorator: 32 artist: 33 artisan: 34 builder/contractor:

## 26 NAMES give role & date

PERSONAL:

EVENTS: ~~1932~~

INSTITUTIONAL:

35 NATIONAL REGISTER WRITE-UP **Frame, clapboarding; 1--2-stories, L-shaped, flat and intersecting gabled bracketed roof sections, interior chimney; front center entrance with paired octagonal transom lights, entablature with consoles, and flanking tall rectangular windows with similar entablatures; full-width 1-story front porch with spiral posts, ornate brackets and iron anthemion cresting; large front center gable with paired round-arched windows, decorative bargeboards; and flanking smaller similar gables, each with one window; polygonal side bay and rectangular 1-story projecting section, each with cresting; original decorative curving stairway; 1932, rear porches enclosed. Good example of picturesque style incorporating eclectic elements; home of Joseph Starr Dunham, journalist and founder of the**

#1 Van Buren Press #10

reviewers initials **KPAB** date **9/15/77**

IF ADDITIONAL SPACE NEEDED, NUMBER & PUT ON REVERSE



# NATIONAL REGISTER DATA SHEET

① NAME as it appears on federal register: Dunham, Joseph Starr, House  
 ② OTHER NAMES: *approved*  
 ③ date of entry: 12/7/78  
 ④ county code: 033

⑤ LOCATION street & number: 4th and Drennen Sts.  
 city / town: Van Buren  
 vicinity of:  
 state: AR  
 county: Crawford  
 ⑧ NPS REGION: SW

⑦ OWNER ☒ PRIVATE ☐ STATE ☐ MUNICIPAL ☐ COUNTY ☐ MULTIPLE ☐ FEDERAL (agency name):  
 ⑨ ADMINISTRATOR:

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 ㉙ master builder:  
 ㉚ engineer:

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㊲ NATIONAL REGISTER WRITE-UP