

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Fred B. Dubach House

and/or common same

2. Location

street & number LA Highway 151 N/A not for publication

city, town Dubach N/A vicinity of

state LA code 22 county Lincoln Parish code 061

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u>N/A</u> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
	<u>N/A</u> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Mr. and Mrs. Alan Gray Trammell 318-777-3495 (home) 318-255-9121 (office)

street & number P.O. Box 274

city, town Dubach N/A vicinity of state LA 71235

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Lincoln Parish Courthouse

street & number P.O. Box 924 Trenton Street (no specific address)

city, town Ruston state LA 71270

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title LA Historic Sites Survey has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date 1983 federal state county local

depository for survey records LA State Historic Preservation Office

city, town Baton Rouge state LA

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	date <u>N/A</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Fred B. Dubach House (c. 1900) is a two-story, frame, Queen Anne-Colonial Revival structure located in a suburban setting on the south side of the town of Dubach. Despite a few alterations, the house retains its National Register eligibility.

The house has a central hall plan, essentially two rooms deep, with a small single story rear wing. Architecturally the house amounts to a two-story, greatly enlarged version of an ordinary Queen Anne Revival cottage (i.e., a cottage with a forward facing gabled pavilion on one side and a gallery taking up the rest of the facade). In this case the asymmetrical front gallery has taken the form of a monumental four column Doric portico with a full entablature and a balustrade. The house also features small balustraded side wings which extend the ground story rooms. In addition, the high pyramid roof is surmounted by a balustraded deck.

The one remaining chimney has a corbel top and inset panels. For the most part, the exterior surface is relatively plain with narrow gauge clapboards and slight corner pilasters. The front of the forward facing gable is completely louvered. Most of the two over two plate glass windows are set in groups of two.

The interiors are also relatively plain. The single remaining mantel is of the golden oak type. At the base of the staircase is a quarter sunburst motif.

Since construction the following changes have been made in the house:

1. In about 1930 the front doorway and some of the interior doors were replaced.
2. As previously mentioned, all but one of the original mantels have been lost, and only one of the two chimneys remains.
3. The original rear wing has been enlarged and incorporated into a recreation room.
4. A carport has been added at the rear.

Assessment of Integrity:

Despite the changes, the house retains the features (mentioned in Item 8) which contribute to its architectural significance. Moreover, it easily retains its historical identity as the house associated with the founding of Dubach. Most of its original features remain, including the most distinctive ones.

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
<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/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates c. 1900 **Builder/Architect** Fred B. Dubach

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph) Criteria B & C

The Dubach House is locally significant in the area of exploration/settlement because it was the home of Fred B. Dubach, the man who is regarded as the founder of the town of Dubach. It is also architecturally significant on the local level because it is considered the finest historic residence in the town of Dubach.

EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT:

Although there were settlers in the Dubach area as early as the late-1840's, the town's origins date to the arrival of the Arkansas Southern Railway in 1898. With the coming of the railroad, the way was opened for the development of the lumber industry. In 1899, Fred B. Dubach, a lumberman from St. Louis, Missouri, arrived in the area and started the Dubach Lumber Company. Shortly thereafter he built the house under consideration. His lumber mill was located across the road. An old aerial photograph indicates that the lumber mill was by far the largest building in town and visually dominated the townscape. Undoubtedly the Dubach Lumber Company was a major factor in the growth and development of what in 1901 was chartered as the town of Dubach. A few years later (c. 1906), Dubach sold his mill and home and returned to St. Louis.

ARCHITECTURE:

The Dubach House is locally significant in the area of architecture because it is considered the finest historic residence in the town of Dubach. Compared with the low-scale Queen Anne Revival cottages and bungalows which characterize the older sections of town, the Dubach House stands out because of its size, its monumental portico, and its elaborately decorated balustraded mass. In many ways it is the residential landmark of Dubach.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Fletcher, Mary Frances and Ropp, Ralph L., editors. Lincoln Parish History, Marceline, Missouri: Walsworth Publishing Co., 1976.

Ruston Daily Leader, Lincoln Parish Centennial Edition, September 26, 1973.

Personal communication with Rowland Gill, Curator, Lincoln Parish Museum and Historical Society.

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property @1/5 acre

Quadrangle name Ruston, LA

Quadrangle scale 1:62500

UTM References

A

1	5	5	3	2	3	5	0	3	6	1	7	4	0	0
Zone			Easting					Northing						

B

Zone			Easting					Northing						

C

Zone			Easting					Northing						

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Zone			Easting					Northing						

Verbal boundary description and justification

Please refer to attached sketch map.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	N/A	code	county	code

state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title National Register Staff ASSISTED BY OWNERS

organization Division of Historic Preservation
State of Louisiana date June 1983

street & number P.O. Box 44247 telephone (504) 342-6682

city or town Baton Rouge state LA 70804

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 

Robert B. DeBlieux

title State Historic Preservation Officer date August 1, 1983

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

Entered in the
National Register

date 9/8/83


Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

DUBACH HOUSE,
LINCOLN PARISH

SITE BOUNDARIES
ARE PARALLEL TO
BUILDING FACADES,
DISTANCES AS SHOWN.
THE HOUSE FACES
LA. HWY 151.

