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(July 1969)UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICENATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Arkansas	
COUNTY: Washington	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER 71.6.05.0002	DATE 6/24/71



1. NAME				
COMMON: Headquarters House				
AND/OR HISTORIC: Tebbetts House				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER: 118 East Dickson Street				
CITY OR TOWN: Fayetteville				
STATE Arkansas		CODE 05	COUNTY: Washington	CODE 143
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Both		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)		ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC		
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> Museum <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scientific		<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Comments <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) Historical Ass'n		
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: Washington County Historical Society, Inc.				
STREET AND NUMBER: College Avenue at Center Street				
CITY OR TOWN: Fayetteville		STATE: Arkansas		CODE 05
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Washington County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER: College Avenue at Center				
CITY OR TOWN: Fayetteville		STATE: Arkansas		CODE 05
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS				
TITLE OF SURVEY:				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		CODE

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

☒ Excellent ☐ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Deteriorated ☐ Ruins ☐ Unexposed

(Check One)

☒ Altered ☐ Unaltered

(Check One)

☐ Moved ☒ Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Viewed from the front, down the broad hand-laid brick walk, the house appears, at first glance, to be one-storied. There is, however, a bedroom upstairs. The building seems to be a combination of both the Georgian and Greek Revival styles. It consists of the main, or central structure, with two flanking wings and an ell to the rear. It is of frame construction with white clapboard siding and green shuttered windows. The portico is supported by two fluted columns at the front, with two fluted pilasters at the rear. The pediment of the portico is simple in decoration, and this simplicity is carried out on the building's exterior by a small dentil design on the cornices.

The Tebbetts House was a duplicate of the Graham home which was located across the street from the Tebbetts House. George Baker was the carpenter who had built both houses.

There have, apparently, been quite a number of modifications made to the interior of the house. The closets are an indication of this, for it is not likely that they would have been incorporated in a house built in 1853. Downstairs are three bedrooms, a living room, a kitchen, a dining room, several large closets and a room with windows on three sides. A basement lies beneath approximately half the house. It is said that Judge Tebbetts used the clay from the basement to make the bricks for the front walk, the fireplace chimneys, and some of the house supports. The walls of the basement are of native stone.

In the 1860's the grounds were much more extensive and there were several outbuildings. Back of the house was a brick smoke house and a rather large frame building that was called the workshop. Between these two houses was a long shed-room in which was built a fireplace or oven of brick, which held two large iron kettles. There the washing was done, the soap was made, and during hog-killing time the lard was rendered in these kettles. This procedure was an innovation for Arkansas as most of these things were normally done in the open.

To the east of the house and well were the stables. The garden was laid off in geometric lines and flowers were planted along the fence. The house lot was bordered with hawthorn and red haw hedges.



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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

☐ Pre-Columbian

☐ 16th Century

☐ 18th Century

☐ 20th Century

☐ 15th Century

☐ 17th Century

☒ 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal

☐ Prehistoric

☒ Historic

☐ Agriculture

☐ Architecture

☐ Art

☐ Commerce

☐ Communications

☐ Conservation

☐ Education

☐ Engineering

☐ Industry

☐ Invention

☐ Landscape

☐ Architecture

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☐ Military

☐ Music

☐ Political

☐ Religion/Philosophy

☐ Science

☐ Sculpture

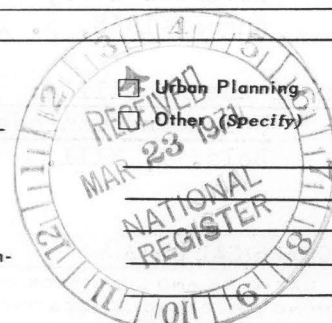
☐ Social/Humanitarian

☐ Theater

☐ Transportation

☒ Urban Planning

☐ Other (Specify)



STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Jonas M. Tebbetts was a native of New Hampshire who came to Van Buren in 1840 to open a law office. He was a well-known attorney for the Cherokee, Choctaw and Creek Indians, and there he became a judge. The title of "judge" stayed with him until he died at the age of 94 in January 1913. He spent his last years in Pittsburgh where in his youth he had been a university instructor and a newspaperman.

Judge Tebbetts married in 1847. The three Tebbetts children, all girls, were born in the home that he and his wife built near Arkansas College. He was one of the incorporators of the College in 1852, and also assisted in establishing the Fayetteville Female Institute in 1858.

During his years in Fayetteville he was a prosecuting attorney, a member of the General Assembly, a lawyer for the State Bank, and the owner of some of the city's best land.

Judge Tebbett's sympathies for the Union at the outbreak of the Civil War brought his arrest, his jailing at Fort Smith, and a threat of hanging. Confederate General Ben McCulloch, the fiery Texan, left instructions in Fort Smith before taking off for the Battle of Pea Ridge, that the judge -- whom he called a scoundrel -- be kept "under double guard, safe for hanging."

McCulloch was killed by a sharpshooter in the Battle on March 7, 1862. Judge Tebbetts was discharged from jail shortly after this, and somehow came into possession of the bullet which had killed McCulloch. The judge kept this memento until after the turn of the century, but its whereabouts is now unknown.

Judge Tebbetts sold his home in the autumn of 1862 and fled with his family into Kentucky. One of his daughters married John H. Galey, a pioneer oil producer, and eventually the judge joined the Galeys in Pittsburgh.

Although the Tebbetts family entertained Federal officers in the Fayetteville home, and at least one Federal general had headquartered there, the family was gone when the house figured most prominently in

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Flashback, Washington County Historical Society, May 1951, p.5
 May 1953, pp. 8-9; April 1963, pp. 1-34; May 1963, p. 39;
 November 1967, p 29; February 1968, p. 1; May 1968, p.7;
 August 1968, p. 13; November 1968, p 7.

War of the Rebellion: A Compilation of the Official Records of the
 Union and Confederate Armies, Washington: 1880-1901, Series I,
 Bols. I, XIII.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 0.7669

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
 Jack E. Porter, Administrator, Historic Preservation Program

ORGANIZATION: Arkansas Planning Commission

DATE: 3/16/71

STREET AND NUMBER:
 Game and Fish Building

CITY OR TOWN: Little Rock

STATE: Arkansas

CODE: 05

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National ☐ State ☒ Local ☐

Name: George M. Reynolds
 Title: State Liaison Officer

Date: 3/16/71

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

Ernest A. Connolly
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

JUN 24 1971

Date: _____

ATTEST:

William H. Smith
 Keeper of The National Register

Date: APR 30 1971

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8. SIGNIFICANCE, CONT'D

Civil War history. That was on April 18, 1863.

Colonel M. LaRue Harrison, commanding the First Arkansas Cavalry (Union), had his headquarters in the Tebbetts House, and this and other installations came under early morning attack by a Confederate force led by General W. L. (Old Tige) Cabell. Old Tige and his 900 Confederates, with two pieces of artillery, marched northward from Ozark and over the Boston Mountains to try to run the Yankees out of Fayetteville. They failed, but one of them shot a hole through a downstairs door of the Tebbetts House. The bullet hole is still there.

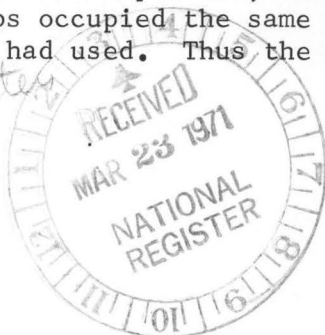
Some of General W. L. Cabell's descendants participated in the 100th anniversary ceremonies at the house. One of them, Earle Cabell of Dallas, now a Congressman, said that his grandfather (General Cabell) always insisted that the Battle of Fayetteville was a Confederate victory and that he had the Yankees licked until he ran out of gunpowder.

The traditionally popular name of the Jonas and Matilda Tebbetts home is the Tebbetts House. The Washington County Historical Society has given it the official name of Headquarters House, to recognize more precisely the unusual role that it had during the Civil War.

General Alexander Asboth led his Union cavalry into Fayetteville on February 23, 1862, as the town burned from the fires set by the departing Confederates. General Asboth made the Tebbetts House his headquarters.

Colonel M. LaRue Harrison, used the house as Union headquarters prior to and during the Battle of Fayetteville. It was in this battle that the still-visible hole was shot through the door. Shortly after the battle Harrison and his troops were ordered back to Springfield, Missouri. After Harrison's departure, General W. L. Cabell returned to the town and his troops occupied the same buildings and headquarters that the Union troops had used. Thus the official name, Headquarters House.

Union Headquarters
1862, 1863
Confed. hqtrs.
1863



Headquarters ~~House~~ (Tebbetts House)

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PROPERTY

STATE

Ark

DATE OF RECEIPT

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MAP (S)

MAP DESCRIPTION

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REGISTER NUMBER

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3 + 1 plot + 1 floor plan

(will check ownership public or private)

REVIEW

Couldn't this also qualify architecturally?

HISTORIAN

ARCHITECT

ASST. KEEPER

KEEPER

ENTRY

CHIEF, CAMP

EDITORIAL PROCESSING, EDITOR

FEDERAL REGISTER ENTRY

ANNUAL EDITION ENTRY

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PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM

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DATE OF PHOTO: 1963			
NEGATIVE FILED AT: Parks Recreation and Travel Commission			
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DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. Front view, looking to the northwest.			



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PROPERTY MAP FORM

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118 East Dickson Street
CITY OR TOWN:
Fayetteville
STATE:
Arkansas

CODE
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COUNTY:
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3. MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE:
U.S.G.S 7½' Series Fayetteville, Arkansas Quadrangle
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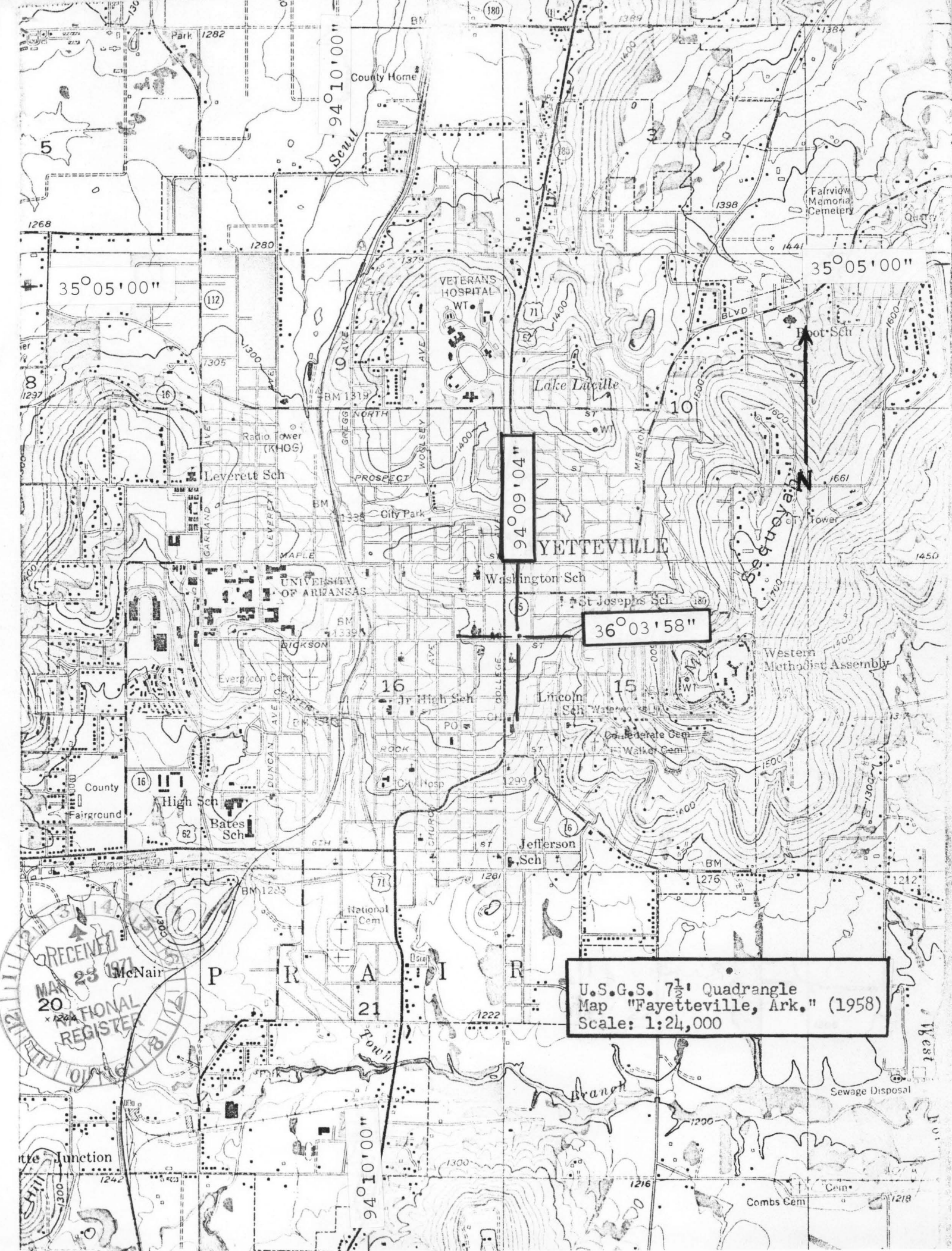
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94°10'00"

35°05'00"

94°09'04"

36°03'58"

35°05'00"

U.S.G.S. 7 1/2' Quadrangle
Map "Fayetteville, Ark." (1958)
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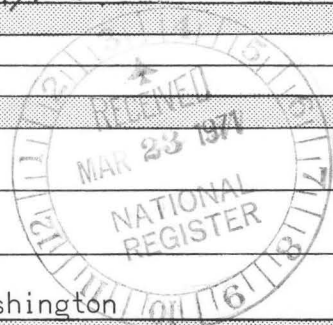
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DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. This is a floor plan of Headquarters House as it exists today.			



TO CELLAR

OPEN
PORCH

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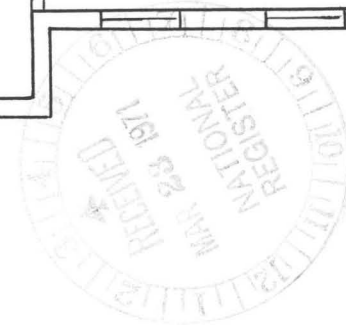
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THE TEBBETTS HOUSE.

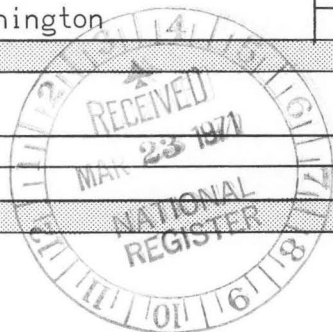


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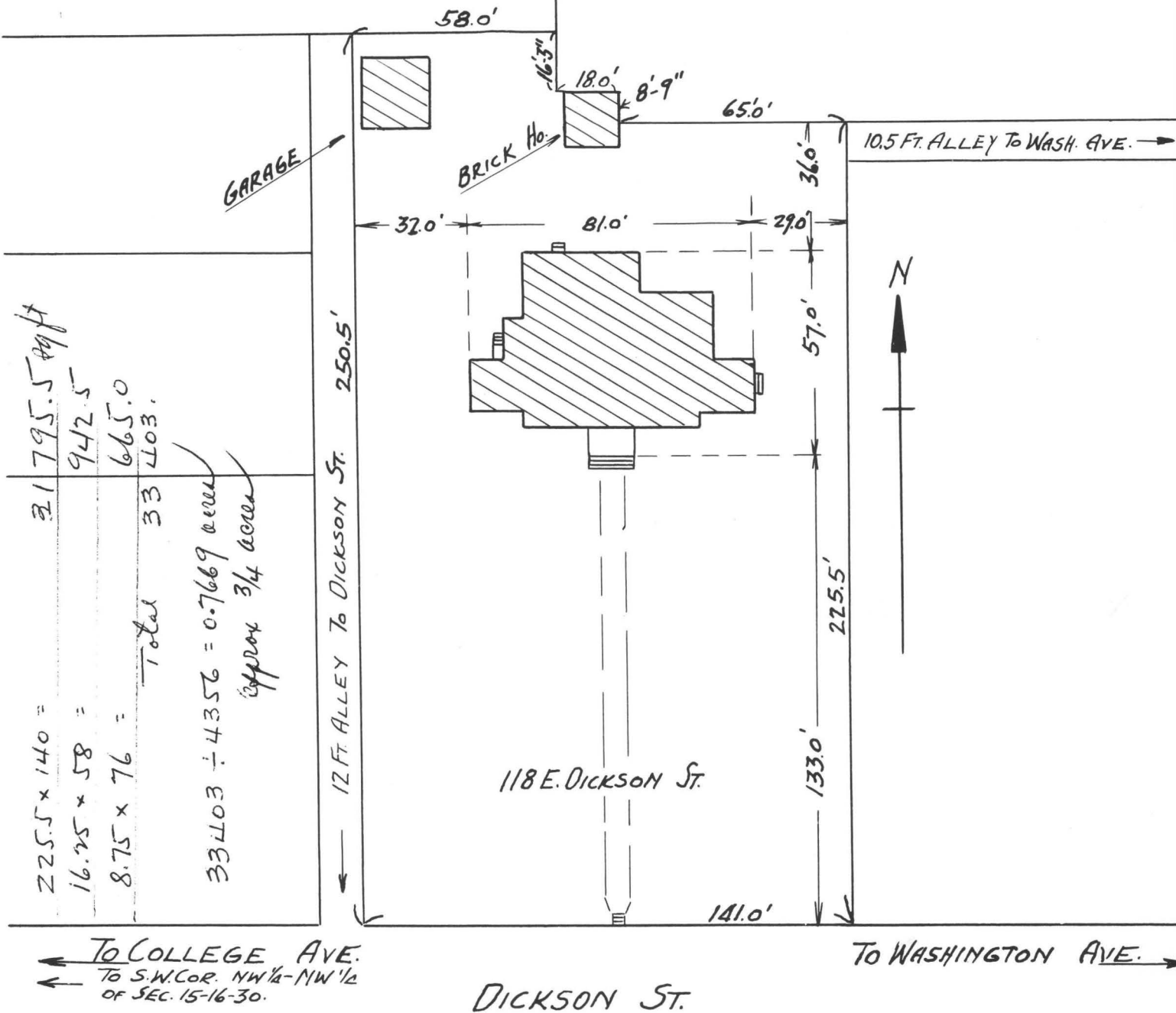
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THE HISTORICAL HOME OF
 JUDGE JONAS M. TEBBETTS
 HOUSE BUILT ABOUT 1854
 PRESENT OWNER-P. R. GREEN
 OCT. 1966.

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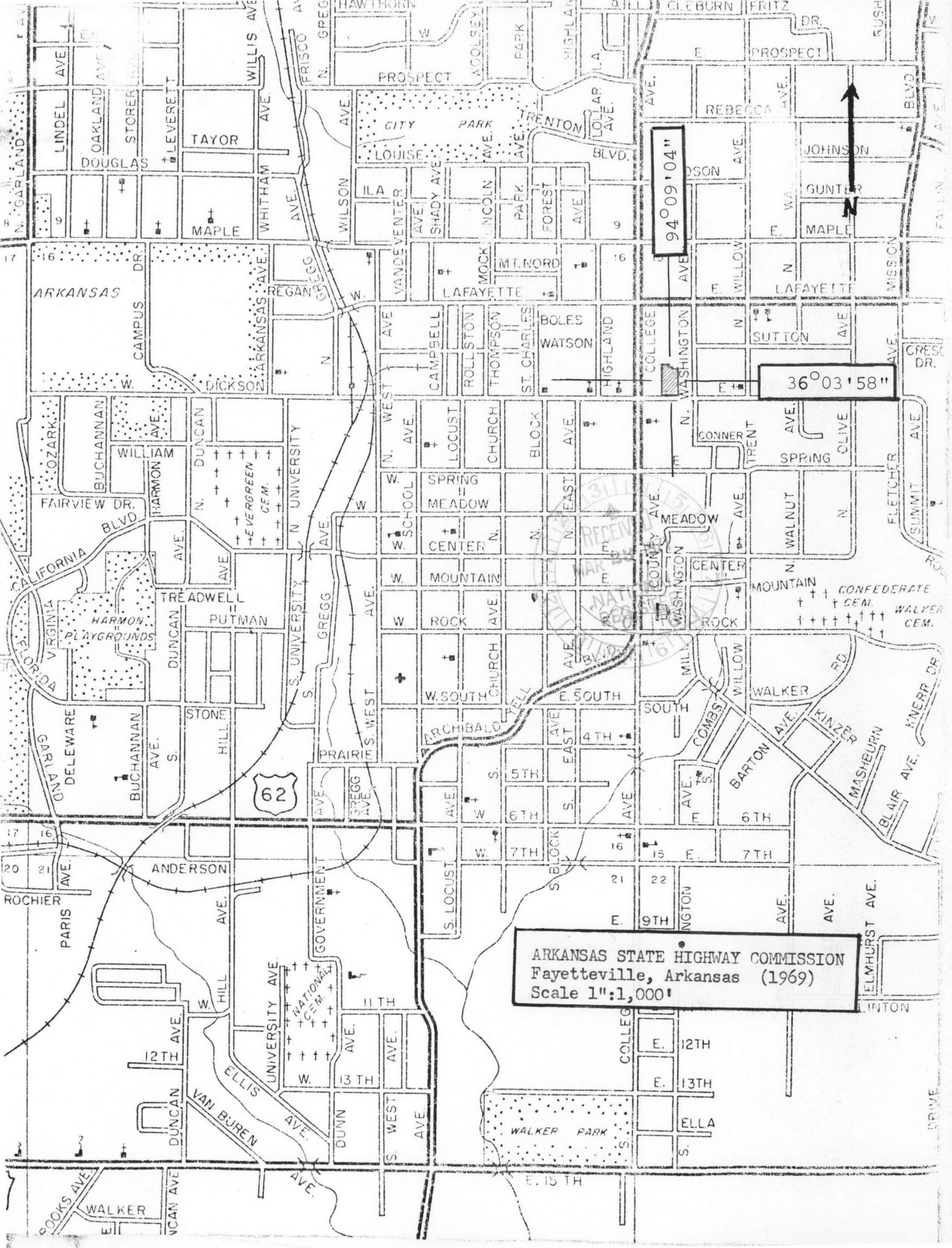
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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION
Fayetteville, Arkansas (1969)
Scale 1"=1,000'

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H30-HR

Dr. George M. Reynolds
Chairman
State Review Committee
Old State House
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Dr. Reynolds:

We are pleased to inform you that the historic properties listed on the enclosure have been placed on the National Register of Historic Places. Senators John L. McClellan and J. W. Fulbright and the appropriate Representatives are being informed. A leaflet explaining the National Register is enclosed for each of the property owners. Please withhold any publicity on this until you have received a carbon copy of the Congressional correspondence.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)

Director

Enclosures

Entered in the National Register

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cc:

HR

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Properties added to the National Register of Historic Places

ARKANSAS

*Headquarters House	Washington County, Fayetteville, Arkansas
Hudson-Grace-Borreson House	Jefferson County, Pine Bluff, Arkansas
Du Bocage	Jefferson County, Pine Bluff, Arkansas
Garrott House	Independence County, Batesville, Arkansas
McCollum-Chidester House	Ouachita County, Camden, Arkansas

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H30-HR

Hon. John L. McClellan
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator McClellan:

We are pleased to inform you that the historic properties listed on the enclosure have been nominated by the State Liaison Officer appointed by the Governor for the implementation of the National Historic Preservation Program in Arkansas and have been entered into the National Register of Historic Places. Senator J. W. Fulbright and the appropriate Representatives have also been provided with this information. By copy of this letter, the State Liaison Officer, Dr. George M. Reynolds, Chairman, State Review Committee, Old State House, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201, has likewise been notified. A leaflet explaining the National Register is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)

Director

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cc: Dr. George M. Reynolds, Chairman, State Review Committee, Old State House,
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Also notified: United States Senate
Hon. J. W. Fulbright

House of Representatives
Hon. John P. Hammerschmidt
Hon. David Pryor
Hon. Wilbur D. Mills

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cc: Director, Southeast Region
HR

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