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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Arkansas	
COUNTY: Ouachita	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER NOV 9 1972	DATE

1. NAME

COMMON:

Tate's Barn

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:

902 Tate Street

CITY OR TOWN:

Camden

STATE

Arkansas

CODE

05

COUNTY:

Ouachita

CODE

039

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____ _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:

Mrs. Walter F. Tate

STREET AND NUMBER:

902 Tate Street

CITY OR TOWN:

Camden

STATE:

Arkansas

CODE

05

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:

Ouachita County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:

Camden

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6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY:

☐ Federal

☐ State

☐ County

☐ Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:

STATE:

CODE

STATE:

COUNTY:

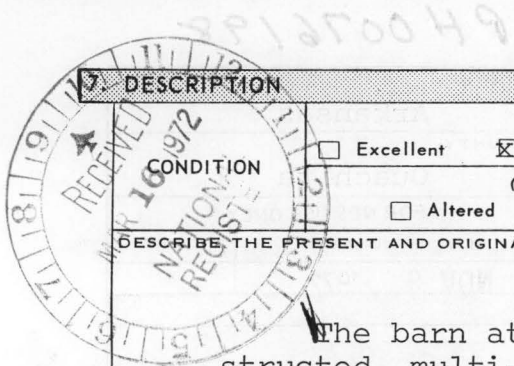
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7. DESCRIPTION

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

The barn at the Tate estate is a well constructed, multi-level farm utility structure.

The main portion of the structure is thirty-seven feet wide and fifty feet long, consisting of a potato cellar, two corn storage rooms, an equipment storage room and a two level hayloft. There are two sheds twelve feet wide and fifty feet long, the one on the north for implement storage and one on the south for horse stalls.

The roof of the Tate Barn is covered with hand-cut cypress shakes while the walls are covered with clapboard siding. The roof of the north shed projects from the north wall of the barn and its north edge is supported by six four-inch by six-inch posts. The posts are supported by solid isosceles shaped concrete blocks at their base, and braced at the top by two by four timbers that taper inward about two feet from the edge of the roof to the posts. The roof has an eight foot overhang on the west side and a two foot overhang on the east side.

The south shed has solid walls on its north, east and west sides, while the south side is mostly open with boards nailed horizontally across it much in the same manner as a wooden fence, with approximately a one foot opening between each board. The roof is covered with cypress shakes and is similar to that of the north shed.

The haylofts are loaded through two large horizontally sliding doors on the front (west) and rear (east) facades. A rail is suspended from and parallel to the ridge supporting a trolley and hook assembly for handling large loads.

The west elevation of the main section of the barn has five openings. The three lower doorways are entrances to different levels of the barn. Located in between and just above the south and central doorways is a sliding door which opens into a hayloft area. Another small swinging door is located above and north of the sliding door. The east elevation has four openings. The south end of this elevation has a ground level doorway. A sliding door is located above and north of the

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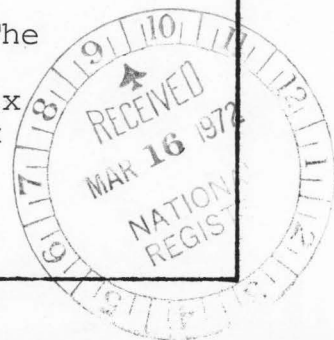
7. Description

ground level doorway and two small hinged openings are located in a horizontal line north of the sliding door.

The barn interior is a complex plan that has a total of five levels. The lowest level is the potato cellar, which is located in the northwest corner of the building. The entrance to the cellar is the north door of the west side of the barn. The center door of the main section of the barn leads to a hallway, which is the access to the other three levels. The hallway runs east and west with stairs on the west end at the entrance that ascend to the third level. The rooms on the third level are made accessible by a hallway that runs north and south and intersects the east-west hall forming a T-shape on the north side of the east-west wall. This level consists of two rooms located on either side of the north-south hall. On the south side of the intersection of the hall are a door and a stairway that leads to the east room of the second level. The west room of the second level is directly west of the east room and in the south-west corner of the barn.

The fourth and fifth levels are storage areas for hay and would be considered the barn loft. The access to the fourth level, which is one large room, is the stairway on the east end of the east-west hall. A small section of stairs on the north-central side of the fourth level leads to the fifth level, which is also one large open room used as a hayloft. There is a large sliding door on both the east and west sides of the fourth level with a small opening on the west end of the fifth level.

The barn is built of cypress timbers. The structural frame is a braced post and lintel system. The columns and beams are four by six inches in sectional dimension with two by six



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joists and one by three stripping under the
cypress shingles.

Because of the excellent weathering quality
of its cypress timbers and the outstanding crafts-
manship employed in its construction, Tate's Barn
is in good physical condition.



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

☐ Education

☐ Political

☐ Urban Planning

☐ Prehistoric

☐ Engineering

☐ Religion/Phi-

☐ Other (Specify)

☐ Historic

☐ Industry

losophy

☒ Agriculture

☐ Invention

☐ Science

☒ Architecture

☐ Landscape

☐ Sculpture

☐ Art

Architecture

☐ Social/Human-

☐ Commerce

☐ Literature

itarian

☐ Communications

☐ Military

☐ Theater

☐ Conservation

☐ Music

☐ Transportation

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Tates were among the earliest settlers of Arkansas and were the first settlers of Ouachita County. In 1816 Captain Richard Tate, a veteran of the War of 1812, left North Carolina with Abe, his slave, seeking gold. After a short and unprofitable stay in Oklahoma, the Captain returned to Tennessee where some of his relatives lived.

In the fall 1818, however, he again headed west to Arkansas. On May 5, 1819, the boat became stranded on the Ouachita River, and the two men, master and slave, settled nearly on a spot thereafter known as Tate's Bluff. Ten years later, other Tate's followed. Richard's nephews, John Tate, who brought his wife and four sons; and William H. Tate, along with his wife and brother-in-law. Also included in the group were Richard's neice and her husband, Mr. Dousak Gates, and a Mr. Harrison and a Mr. Watkins.

Members of the family were, thus, prominent in Ouachita County from its first settlement. Judge W. F. Tate although born in Dallas County, was a descendent of Captain Tate and returned to that area his forbears had settled. Judge Tate served as county judge, and secretary of the school board for many years in addition to other interests.

Consequently, the Tate property has considerable local historical significance. However, the principal importance of the Tate Barn arises from its being nothing more or less than a first-class barn. Its five levels and its roof of hand-cut cypress shingles make it fairly elaborate for a farm building. This and its unaltered

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Camden, Arkansas. Personal interview with Mrs. Walter F. Tate. June, 1971.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE					
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	
NW	0	'	"	0	'	"	33	0	32	30
NE	0	'	"	0	'	"	92	0	50	41
SE	0	'	"	0	'	"				
SW	0	'	"	0	'	"				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

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: Staff	
ORGANIZATION Arkansas Historic Preservation Program	DATE 1971
STREET AND NUMBER: 1023 West Third Street	
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 William E. Henderson
Title State Liaison Officer

Date March 10, 1972

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

Robert M. Wiley
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 11/8/72

ATTEST:
W. Bradford
Keeper of The National Register

Date Nov. 7, 1972

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8. Significance

state make it almost unique.

The structure was probably built during the 1880's, although the exact date of construction is uncertain. It is an excellent example and a well-preserved symbol of a life style that is rapidly disappearing from the Mid-South. When it was built the state was almost entirely rural, Little Rock and Fort Smith were only small towns; Fayetteville and Hot Springs, only large villages. No famous general ever quartered his horses at the Barn; no notorious desperadoes ever "hid out" from the law in the place; yet it remains a simple and rather dignified relic of the past.



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MAP DESCRIPTION (S)

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RESUBMIT

REVIEW

HISTORIAN

Bonnie and Clyde passed less than
25 miles from here!Olney, Ark
10/12/72

ARCHEOLOGIST

ARCHITECT

I like a first class barn!

OK Chambers
10-11-72

ASST. KEEPER

OK Bg 11/8/72

KEEPER

OK 55B for
2/7/72

WRITER/EDITOR

DIRECTOR, OAHP

EDITORIAL PROCESSING, EDITOR

OK
EDA
9/26/72

Federal Registry Entry

12-5-72

Annual Edition Entry

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COMMENTS:

WORKING NUMBER 3,16. 72. 375

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:



NPS Number

Title:

Nov 9 1972
Tate's House

Loc

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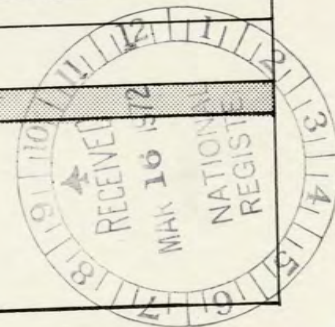
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Arkansas History Commission

4. IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.

View from northeast.



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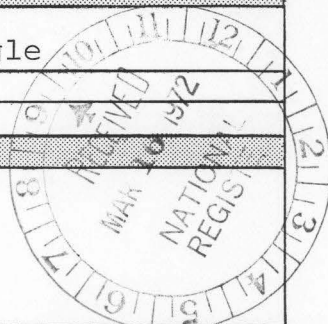
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PROPERTY MAP FORM

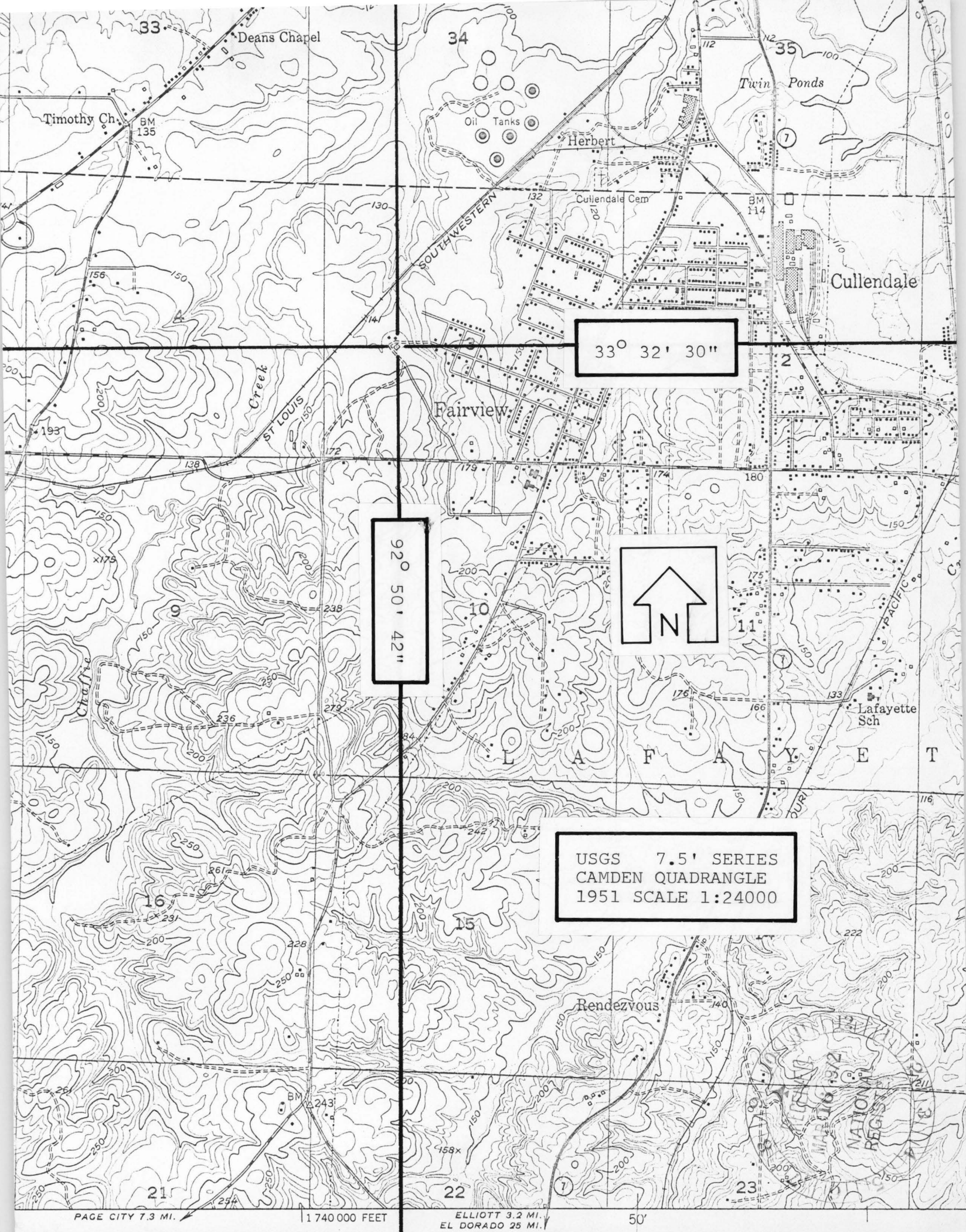
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AND/OR HISTORIC:			
2. LOCATION			
STREET AND NUMBER: 902 Tate Street			
CITY OR TOWN: Camden			
STATE: Arkansas	CODE 05	COUNTY: Ouachita	CODE 039
3. MAP REFERENCE			
SOURCE: U.S.G.S. 7.5' Series Camden, Arkansas Quadrangle			
SCALE: 1:24,000			
DATE: 1951			
4. REQUIREMENTS			
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS			
1. Property boundaries where required.			
2. North arrow.			
3. Latitude and longitude reference.			



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ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE **ARKANSAS**

Date Entered **NOV 9 1972**

Name

Location

Tate's Barn

**Camden
Ouachita County**

Also Notified

**Hon. John L. McClellan
Hon. J. W. Fulbright
Hon. David Pryor**

Director, Southwest Region

**State Liaison Officer
Mr. William E. Henderson
Director
Arkansas Department of Parks and
Tourism
State Capitol - Room 149
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201**

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