

INDIVIDUAL DATA SHEET

Property Name Douglas House Property Owner Delbert E. Abshire
 Location near Vaughn Address Route 1
 Construction Date c. 1890 Survey No. 2170 Gentry, AR 72734

DESCRIPTION

The Douglas House is a one-and-one-half-story frame "duplex" with a rear wing which makes a T of the plan. The northern flank of the rear wing has been enclosed to create another room. The building is otherwise of classic double-pen cottage form, possessing the fairly rare feature of a windowless main facade. Daylight reaches the two main rooms through glazing in the two doors and double-hung windows in the end elevations. Smaller windows in the end gables confirm the use of the half-story under the double-pitch roof. The only hint of ornament is seen in the four turned columns which support the hipped roof of the porch.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Criterion: C Area of significance: Architecture

The Douglas House is significant as a remarkably well-preserved sample of the double-pen (duplex) cottage which, during the late 19th and early 20th century, was the most common house form throughout the small-town and rural highland south. The form was a standard housing unit for the lowest third income level. The Douglas House has been spared the enlargement and modification so common with this basic vernacular form.

Acres less than 1 acre

Verbal Boundary Description From the intersection of State Highways #12 and #264, proceed

Quadrangle Name Centerton, Ark. Quadrangle Scale 1:24000

UTM Reference: Zone 15 Easting 379960 Northing 4012925

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION CONT.

north on State Highway #12 for .8 miles, then proceed east on the county road .85 to the southwest corner of the property and the point of beginning. Next proceed east 100 feet, then proceed north 70 feet, then proceed west 100 feet, and then proceed south 70 feet to the point of origin.

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