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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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

RECEIVED

DATE ENTERED

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Roth - Rosenzweig - Lambert House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

717 West Second Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Pine Bluff

STATE

Arkansas

VICINITY OF
CODE

05

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Fourth

COUNTY

Jefferson

CODE

069

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
- COMMERICAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Judy W. Lambert

STREET & NUMBER

717 West Second Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Pine Bluff

VICINITY OF

STATE

Arkansas

code 05

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC

Circuit Clerk's Office

STREET & NUMBER

Jefferson County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Pine Bluff

STATE

Arkansas

code 05

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Roth - Rosenzweig - Lambert Residence is of two-story frame construction erected in 1894. It was identified by David Gibson, of the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville School of Architecture, as Queen Anne Victorian style of architecture, typical of the period. The house has a round porch extending around the south (front) and west sides supported by Tuscan type columns. A small gable over the front entrance is decorated with an elaborate ornamentation. The 42 inch front door has a large beveled glass light in it with a transome above the door opening. The cupola is decorated with wood shingles shaped in rounded, square and diamond forms. The shingles are placed in a variety of designs on the sides of the cupola. The front gable is adorned with shingles in the same manner. In the center of the gable is a round top attic window with two sidelights. The cornices of the house are enclosed.

Upon entering the front door the attention of a visitor is first attracted to a carved oak staircase with fancy carved newel posts. To the left of the entrance is a round room formed by the cupola which was used as a library when the Rosenzweigs lived in the house. On the right of the entrance hall is a large living room with a fireplace having a carved oak mantel. The living room is separated from the entrance hall by double pocket doors. The dining room adjoining the living room has a built-in china cabinet with beveled glass doors. With the exception of adding closets to the two bedrooms on the east side of the house, the upstairs is in much the same condition as when the house was built. To add the closet, Pearson had the woodwork and trim removed and replaced so as to appear that it had not been disturbed. The round cupola room on the second floor was used as a children's bedroom and has a walk-in closet built by the Rosenzweigs.

Due to Pearson's restoration, this house is in excellent condition and is an outstanding example of architecture of its period. It is part of the block Pearson was attempting to restore at the time of his death.

SIGNIFICANCE

IOD

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/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1894

BUILDER/ARCHITECT W. S. Helton

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Roth - Rosenzweig - Lambert House is an excellent example of the Queen Anne Victorian style of architecture so predominant in Pine Bluff during the 1890s. The house is located on Lot Five of Block 32 of William E. Woodruff's Addition to Pine Bluff. Louis and Gertie L. Roth acquired the property from W. P. Grace on July 18, 1894. Roth let a contract to W. S. Helton, a Pine Bluff contractor, "for a fine two-story frame residence" on August 4, 1894, at a cost of about \$4,000, the Pine Bluff Graphic said on August 6, 1894. Roth was a large land-owner and also one of Pine Bluff's more prominent cotton factors during the 1890s and early 1900s. On September 5, 1910 the Roths sold the home to William Rosenzweig who owned one of the city's largest apartment stores located at Third Avenue and Main Street. In 1970, after the elder Rosenzweig had died, their daughter, Irene, sold the house to Ben Pearson. In 1970 and 1971 Pearson undertook an extensive restoration of the residence. He sand-blasted the old paint ~~from the exterior walls~~ from the exterior walls and put on a wood shake roof to resemble the original shingle roof. Inside, the original pine and cypress woodwork was re-finished to preserve its old look. The gas lighting fixtures, which had been converted to electricity, were removed and sent to Little Rock for complete restoration.

The house was sold by Pearson to Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Lambert who have painted the trim in a light green to contrast with the white walls in the manner of many of the old Victorian style homes. This house is in excellent condition and is a contribution to the heritage of the community and state.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Deed Book 25; Jefferson County Land Records, p. 230.
Deed Book 70, Jefferson County Land Records, p. 577.
Pine Bluff Graphic, August 6, 1894, p. 1.
Statements by Ben Pearson, personal interview, January 4, 1971.
Statements by Mrs. Irving Schloss, personal interview, January 5, 1971.
Personal observation and notes.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY Less than one acre

UTM REFERENCES

A	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING	B	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C				D			

~~UTM REFERENCES~~

Land Description

Lot 5, Block 32 Woodruff Addition West to the City of Pine Bluff
in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 32 Township 5 South Range 9 West

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

July 27, 1976

James W. Leslie, Director, Jefferson County History Commission

ORGANIZATION

DATE

608 West 20th Avenue

534-7826

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

Pine Bluff

Arkansas 71601

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

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

RECOMMENDING SIGNATURE

TITLE

DATE

FOR NPS USE ONLY

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

DATE

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

DATE

ATTEST:

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER



ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM



"THE OLD STATE HOUSE" 300 WEST MARKHAM

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72201
TELEPHONE - 501 371-1631

PROPERTY OWNER'S APPROVAL

I, Judy St. Lambert, am the legal
owner of the house & property
located at 717 St. 2nd Ave. Pine Bluff, Ark. 71601

I hereby acknowledge that I have been fully informed and understand the significance of having the aforementioned property placed on the National Register of Historic Places.

I hereby approve the inclusion of the aforementioned property on the National Register of Historic Places.

Judy St. Lambert
Owner

7-20-76
Date