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INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC Thomas Sloan Boyd House
AND/OR COMMON Boyd-Barton House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER 220 Park Avenue
CITY, TOWN Lonoke
STATE Arkansas
VICINITY OF CODE 05 COUNTY Lonoke CODE 085
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

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 type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Mr. and Mrs. Bill Price
STREET & NUMBER 220 Park Avenue
CITY, TOWN Lonoke
VICINITY OF STATE Arkansas

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Clerk's Office
STREET & NUMBER Lonoke County Courthouse
CITY, TOWN Lonoke
STATE Arkansas

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
DATE
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS
CITY, TOWN STATE
FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

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

Built in the mid-1870's, the Boyd House is the oldest brick residence in Lonoke, Arkansas. The house is constructed of pink bricks made from clay on the farm of Thomas Sloan Boyd, builder of the house. Much of the interior woodwork was cut from trees on the Boyd farm near Lonoke.

The Boyd House is a two-storey T-shaped structure with the facade located across the top of the "T". The solid brick walls are thirteen inches thick and since 1936 have been painted white to help preserve the brick. Soon after construction, two-storey porches were added along both sides of the stem of the house, thus giving it the appearance of a large rectangular structure. The north porch was enclosed with clapboard and covered with aluminum siding in 1973. The south porch is screened on both floors.

A cross gable roof covers the structure with the front gable extending over the flat-roofed porch. Three brick chimneys extend above the ridge line at the north, south and west extremities of the building. With the exception of sidelights on the first and second floor front entries, all window and door trim is plain around the building.

The facade is symmetrical with two windows on both sides of the centered entries on each floor. The second-storey door opens onto a small balcony with an iron railing. Covering the entire facade is a two-storey portico supported by four square brick columns.

When originally constructed in the 1870's the Boyd House had a plain facade with no porch projections. In 1913 the present porch roof and four brick columns were added across the facade, along with wooden porches across both the first and second storeys. In 1936 the wooden porches were removed and replaced with the present concrete porch floor and decorative balcony on the second floor. The 1913 porch roof and square columns are still in place.

The interior of the house retains its original dimensions with ten-foot ceilings throughout the downstairs and front rooms upstairs, and eight foot ceilings in the upper rooms in the stem of the house. Of the eight original fireplace mantels made from walnut trees on the Boyd farm, only three remain. These are located in upstairs bedrooms

In 1915 the house underwent major interior alterations. The walnut mantels in the north and south parlors were replaced with brick mantels. Though the original railing was retained, the stairs were converted from a circular plan to an open-well two-flight stairway. The three doorways opening off the central hallway were enlarged to rectangular archways. The lower floor was recovered with oak, but the original wide pine floor on the second storey was left uncovered.

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The original outbuildings, including a well house, smokehouse, barn and the small cabin where the Boyd family lived during construction of their brick house, have been removed. The house rests on its original site, a tree-covered corner near downtown Lonoke. The Boyd House is in excellent condition and is well cared for by its present owners.

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
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

T. S. Boyd

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Boyd House in Lonoke, Arkansas, was constructed over one hundred years ago. When built by Thomas Sloan Boyd in the early 1870's this two-storey residence was the only brick house in the community. Its continued presence in this Arkansas railroad town has made it an important historic landmark in the surrounding community.

Thomas Sloan Boyd, who personally supervised and assisted in the construction of his home, was born in North Carolina in 1827. About 1850 he moved to Arkansas with his family and settled in the Lonoke County community of Brownsville. Though educated for the ministry, he spent his career farming in Lonoke County. In 1863 Boyd volunteered for service with the Confederate Army. Along with his friend James P. Eagle, later Governor of Arkansas, Boyd served in Company D, Second Regiment, Arkansas Mounted Rifles.

Following the early death of his first wife, T. S. Boyd married Mattie Eagle in 1867. Miss Eagle was the younger sister of Governor James P. Eagle. In 1869 the Boyd's purchased the land on which they planned to build their home. This consisted of Block 11 in the Hicks and Reynolds Survey. Their 1869 purchase was prior to the time when the City of Lonoke was incorporated and made the county seat.

During construction of the Boyd House in the early 1870's, the family lived in a log cabin on the rear of their lot. Most of the materials from which the house was built were taken from the Boyd farm near Lonoke. Bricks used in the thirteen-inch walls were made from clay on the Boyd farm. The interior woodwork, pine floors and walnut mantel pieces were made from trees on the Boyd farm. In late 1874 or early 1875 the family was able to move into their new home.

The Boyd House has always been one of the most impressive residences in Lonoke. The two-storey solid brick house has a two-storey front portico supported by four square brick columns. A small balcony projects above the main entry. The T-shaped structure has eight fireplaces, three of which still have their original walnut mantels carved by Mr. Boyd. The simple style of the house reflects both the tastes and abilities of the gentleman farmer who built the structure.

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The only mortgage ever placed on the house was executed in 1879. In that year the Boyds, along with several other Lonoke families, mortgaged their house to raise money to build the first public school in the community. The school district later repaid the Boyds and other families who had loaned money for construction of the school.

Following Mr. Boyd's death in 1894, his widow continued to reside in the house until her death in 1913. At that time the house passed to one of the Boyd's seven children, Mrs. Prudence Boyd Barton, who remodeled the lower floor of the house. Mrs. Barton later passed the house on to her daughter, Mrs. Natalie Barton Bransford Norbury. In 1936 Mrs. Norbury had the brick house painted as a protective measure. Since that time the pink brick has always been painted white.

For over one hundred years the Boyd House property was owned by a member of the Boyd family. T. S. Boyd and his descendants made their large home a useful part of the Lonoke community. In the 1880's the Boyd family kept children through the week who attended the new school but lived too far away to travel from home to school every day. In later years Sloan Boyd's daughter, Mrs. Barton, was one of the many Lonoke hostesses who agreed to house workmen building the nearby Eberts Air Field during World War I.

Architecturally, the Boyd House expresses a simple provincial Arkansas style. Designed and built by T. S. Boyd, the house displays the tastes of a well-to-do Arkansas farmer in the 1870's. Boyd's abilities as a carpenter are also reflected in the construction of the house. As Lonoke's oldest brick residence and the home of an early and prominent family, the Boyd House is one of the city's most important historic landmarks.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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C							D						

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

Dianna Kirk, Historian

ORGANIZATION

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program

DATE

June 10, 1975

STREET & NUMBER

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TELEPHONE

(501) 371-1639

CITY OR TOWN

Little Rock

STATE

Arkansas

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

~~PERSON'S~~ SIGNATURE: Gene Richardson

TITLE State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE September 9, 1975

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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

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CITY, TOWN LONOKE VICINITY OF COUNTY LONOKE STATE ARKANSAS

3 PHOTO REFERENCE

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DIANNA KIRK

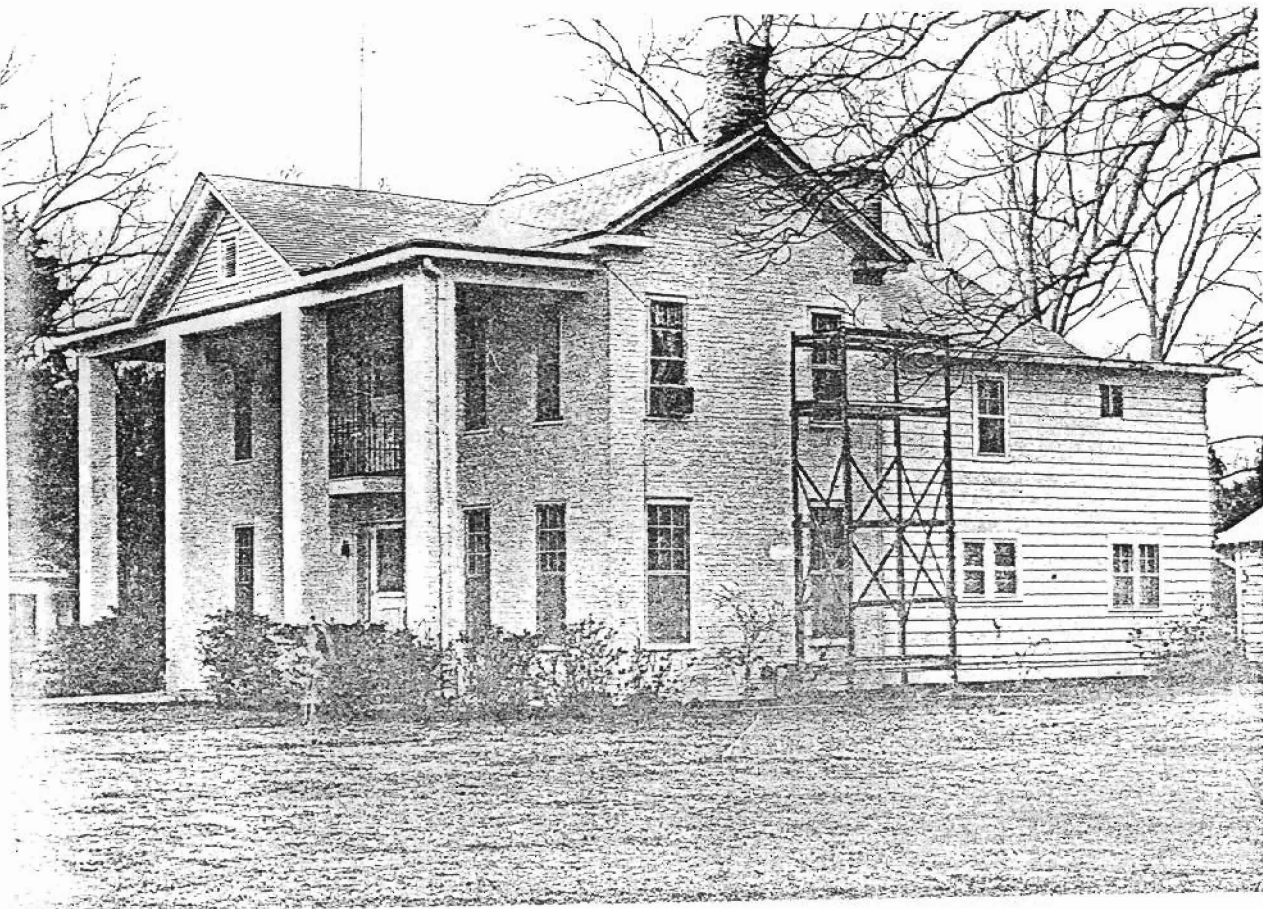
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4 IDENTIFICATION

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FACADE AND NORTH ELEVATION, VIEWED FROM THE NORTHEAST

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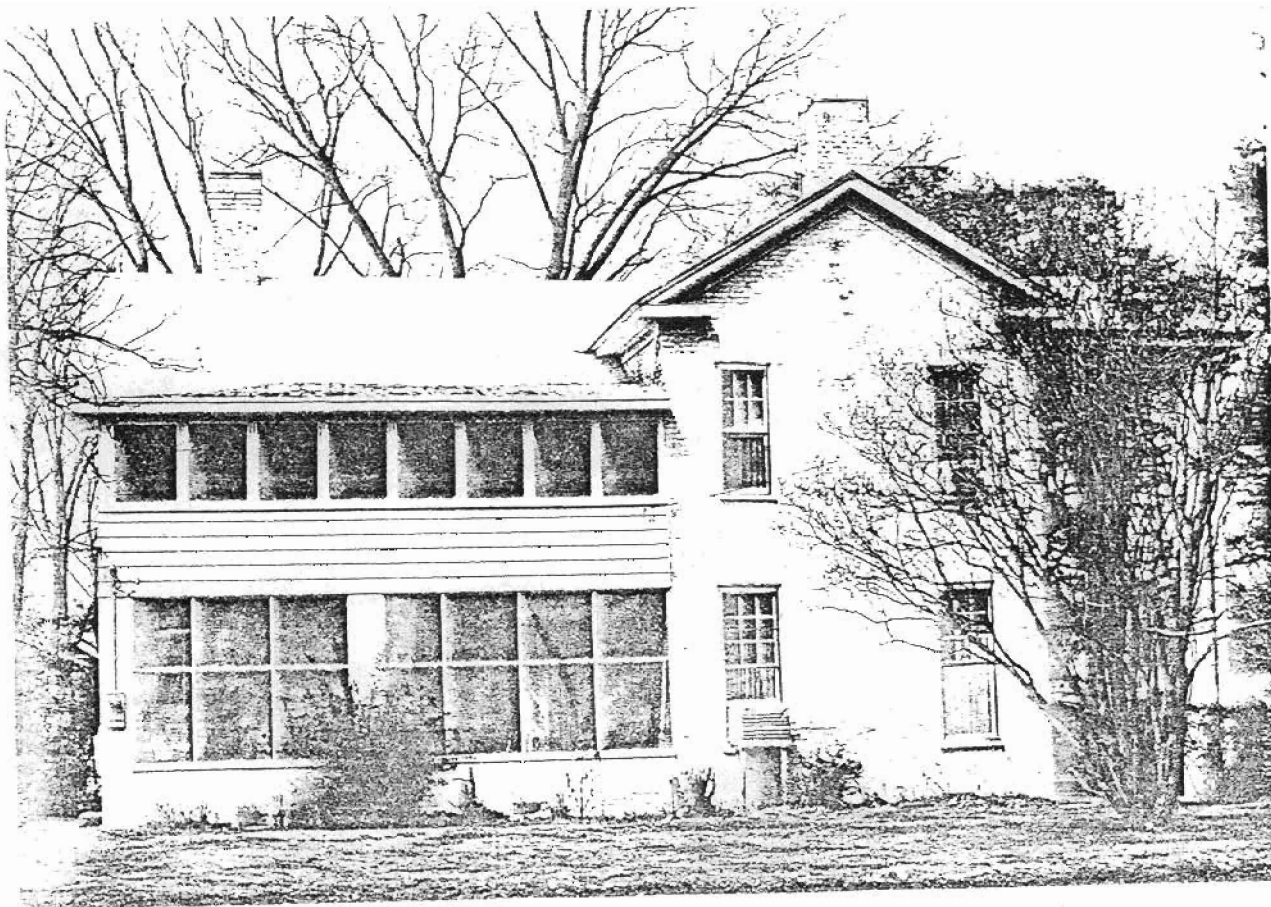
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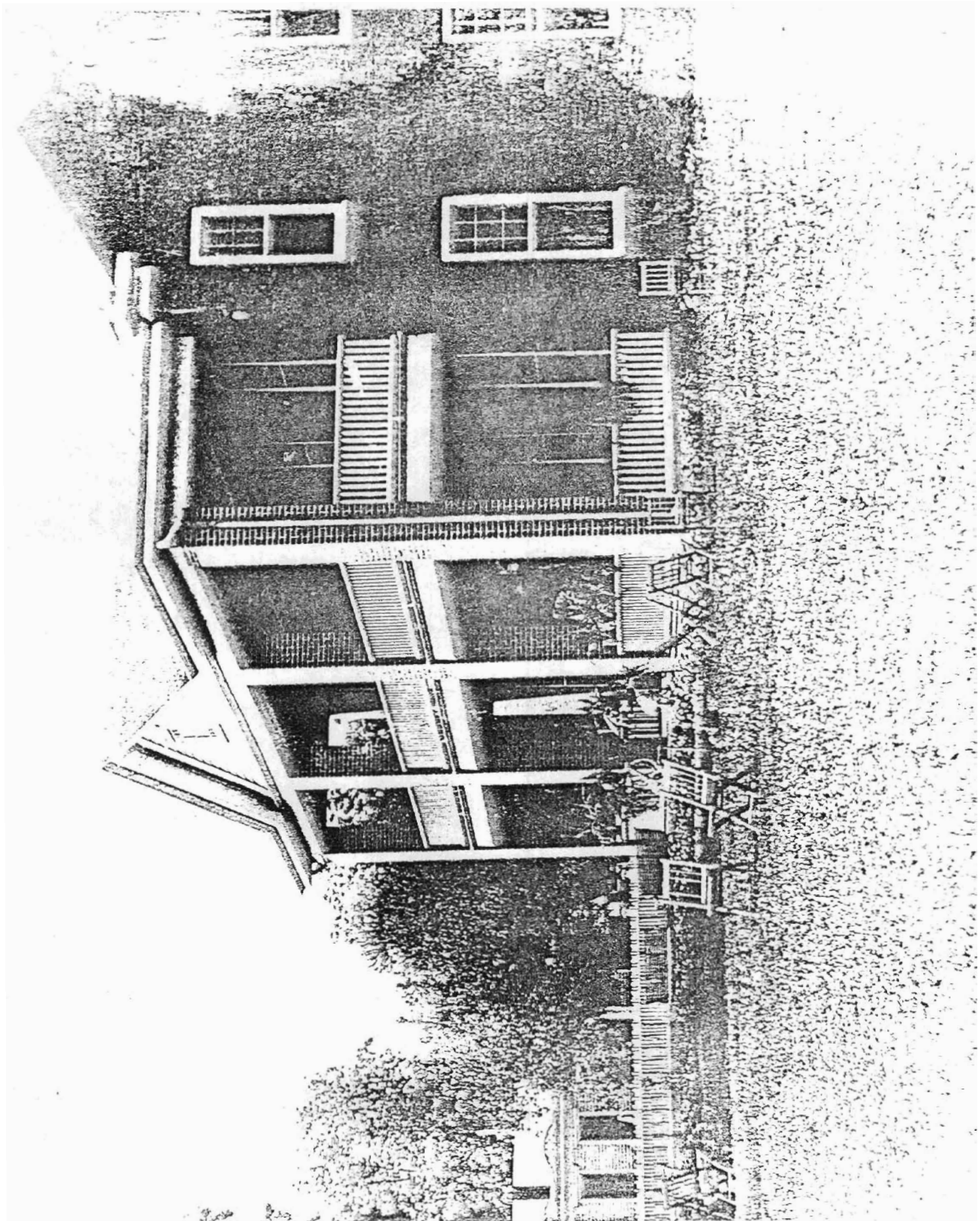
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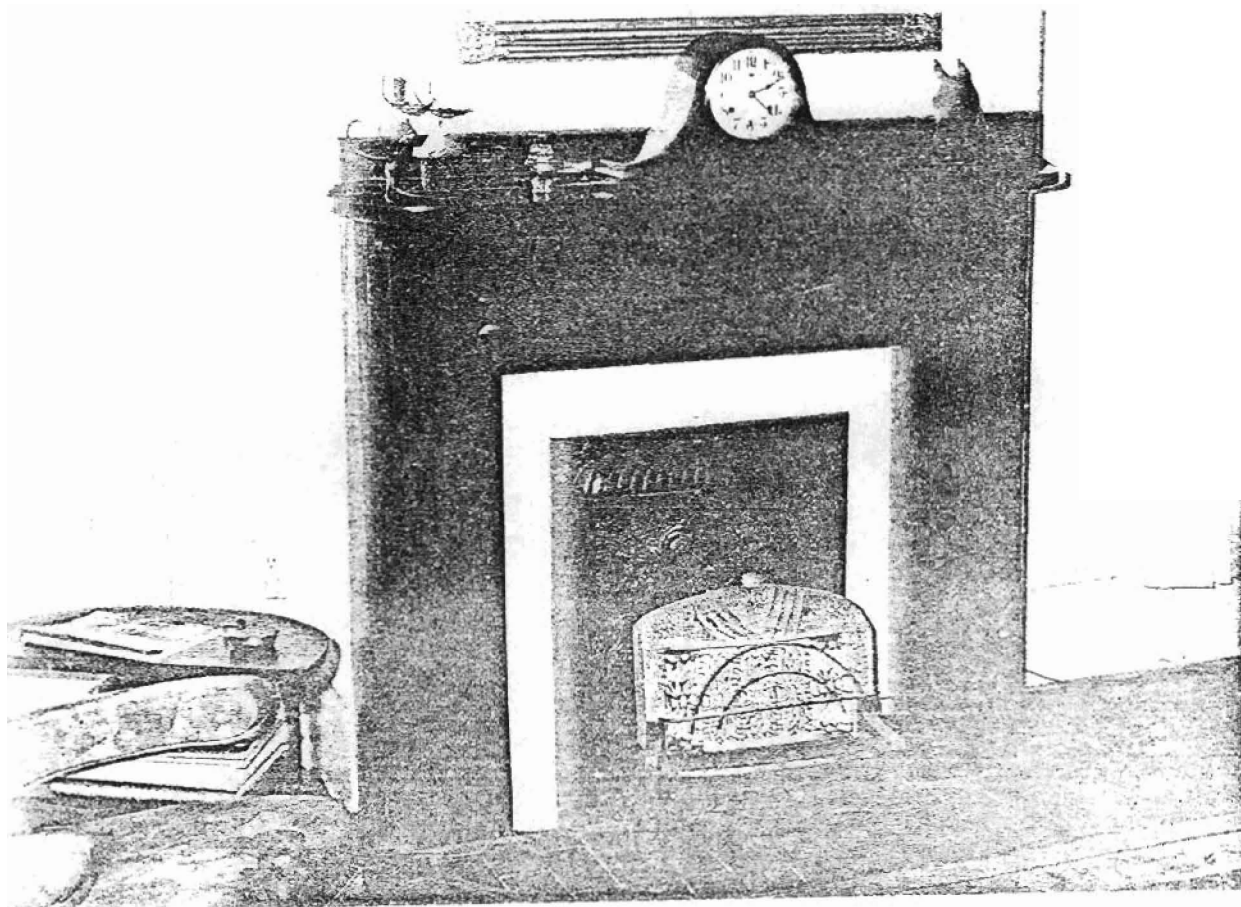
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Walnut mantlepiece, northeast bedroom

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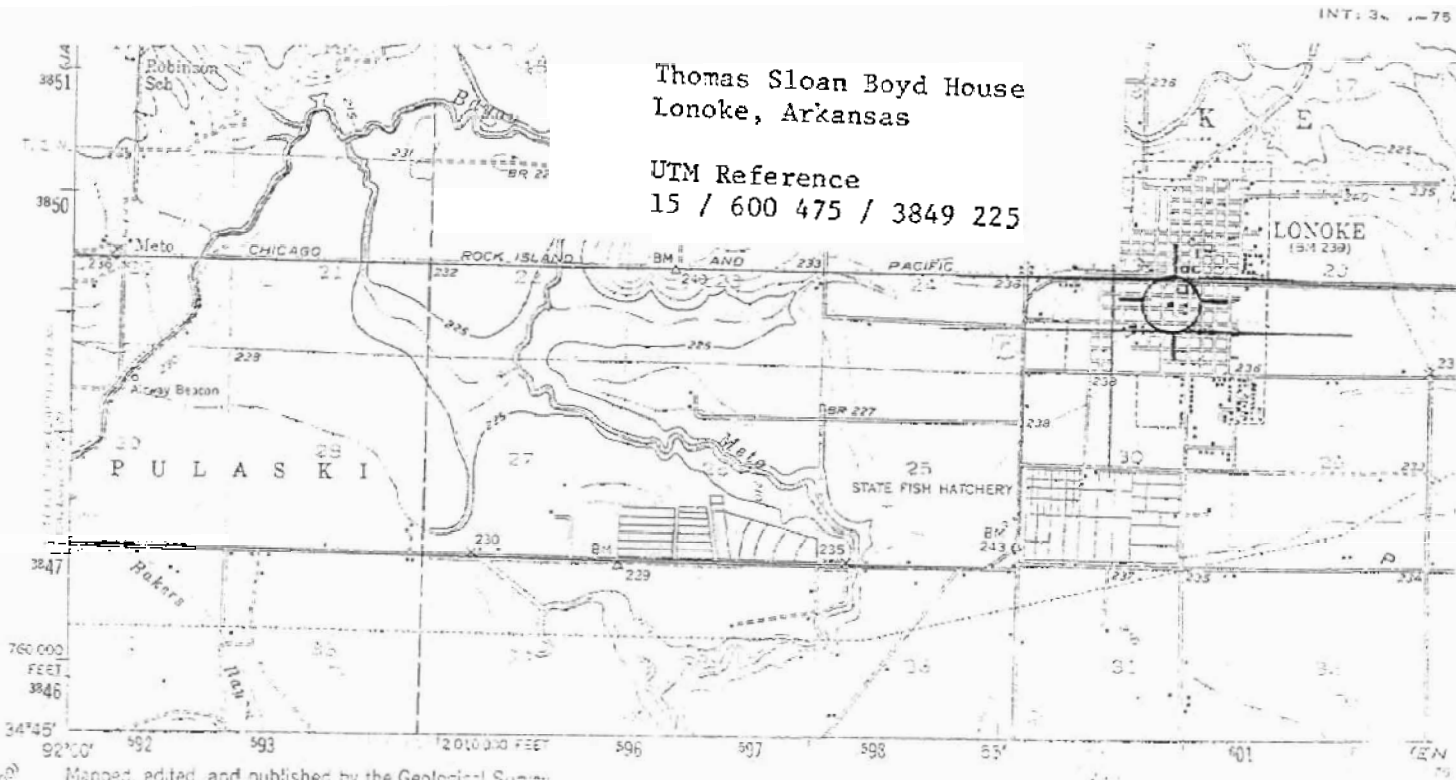
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SOURCE UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, LONOKE QUADRANGLE

SCALE 1:62,500 DATE 1950

4 REQUIREMENTS

- TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS
1. PROPERTY BOUNDARIES
 2. NORTH ARROW
 3. UTM REFERENCES



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Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
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