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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)

COUNTY:
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ENTRY DATE

1. NAME

COMMON: THE ALLIN HOME
AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: 515 Cumumbia Street
CITY OR TOWN: Helena
STATE: Arkansas
CODE: 05
COUNTY: Phillips
CODE: 107

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One): District, Building, Site, Structure, Object
OWNERSHIP: Public, Private, Both
STATUS: Occupied, Unoccupied, Preservation work in progress
ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC: Yes (Restricted, Unrestricted)
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate): Agricultural, Commercial, Educational, Entertainment, Government, Industrial, Military, Museum, Park, Private Residence, Religious, Scientific, Transportation, Other (Specify), Comments

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
STREET AND NUMBER:
CITY OR TOWN: Helena
STATE: Arkansas
CODE: 05

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Phillips County Courthouse
STREET AND NUMBER:
CITY OR TOWN: Helena
STATE: Arkansas
CODE: 05

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
DATE OF SURVEY: Federal, State, County, Local
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Arkansas History Commission
STREET AND NUMBER: 300 West Markham
CITY OR TOWN: Little Rock
STATE: Arkansas
CODE: 05

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Allin Home is a two-storey brick five bay structure with a rear ell having a two-storey front porch and originally a rear ell shaped porch. The main roof is a low hip with a flat center section that originally was surrounded by either a wood or wrought iron cresting. The two-storey front porch has six wood posts with simple capitals and paneled pedestal bases supporting segmental wood arches. A bracketed, dentilated, and paneled entablature has paired brackets above each of the six columns. The main house has paired brackets at each of its four main corners. The second-storey balustrade is classical with urn shaped balusters. Originally the lower porch had a matching balustrade that is now missing. All door and window openings have segmental arch lintels executed in soldier-coursed brick. The facade windows on both the lower and upper stories are floor-to-ceiling four light double hung sash with adjustable louvered shutters.

Inside, the house is basically one room deep plus the ell, with a center hall from front to back and two large rooms on either side both upstairs and downstairs. To the side and rear of the center hall is a circular staircase. Three internal brick chimneys, one at either end of the main house and one between the two rear rooms of the ell serve eight fireplaces.

The house is an unusual transitional design having a classical, almost Antebellum plan with Victorian trim and detailing particularly across the front two-storey porch. The house would be best described as a Victorian Renaissance style of solid brick construction with wood detailing and trim.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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The earliest recorded reference to the land upon which the Allin Home is situated can be found in the Phillips County Tax Records for 1850 and 1851. A prominent landowner named William Russell had purchased Lot 410 sometime prior to 1850. By 1856, this particular parcel had become the property of Vincent Edwards and had an assessed valuation of \$1,250.00. (It is at this point in time that one begins to think that the Allin House was built.) The lot was taxed in the name of the Taffin and Horner Law Firm with a valuation of \$3,000.00 in 1858. At this time, Lots #408 and #409 which formed the south corner of the block adjacent to the Allin House lot had a combined valuation of \$2,000. Lots 411 and 412 forming the north corner adjacent to the Allin House lot had a combined valuation of \$1,500.00. Therefore, it can be concluded with some certainty that a structure had been constructed on Lot 410 if this lot had an assessed valuation of twice that of the four adjoining lots. George West sold the property in July of 1874 to Henderson B. Robinson, the negro reconstructionist assessor and sheriff of Phillips County.

Robinson was Assessor of Phillips County from 1868 to 1872 and Sheriff from 1874 to 1878 which was the last year the negro reconstructionist officials were in office in Phillips County. He was vilified in the papers and in the Hanks Daires as one of the yankee radicals. His grave marker indicates that he was born in 1824 and died in 1881

In December 1889 Adeline Robinson, his widow, sold the property to Simon Seelig for the sum of \$4,250.00. In February, 1907, Seelig sold the same property to Richard Allin for \$4,350. The property has remained in the Allin family until the present time.

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B. Significance Continued:

The Allin Home is architecturally significant because of its transitional design, its relatively small size with relation to its imposing appearance, and the fine well-proportioned detailing. The house has basically a territorial or antebellum period floor plan, but with definite Victorian trim, woodwork and detailing. Its relatively small size is appealing to the modern eye because it seems friendly and more cozy than the average house of this period. Yet the design is handsome and imposing on the exterior. The detailing of the house both inside and out is well-executed and very well proportioned to the size and overall design of the house.

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Tax Record, Phillips County, 1850.
Tax Record, Phillips County, 1851.
Phillips County Deed Book O, p. 659.
Phillips County Deed Book P. p. 510.
Phillips County Deed Book A-6, p. 371.
Phillips County Probate Record Book C-2, 1865-1868

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Gene Richardson, Research Historian

ORGANIZATION: Arkansas Historic Preservation Program DATE: November 1972

STREET AND NUMBER:
1023 West Third

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 _____

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

 Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

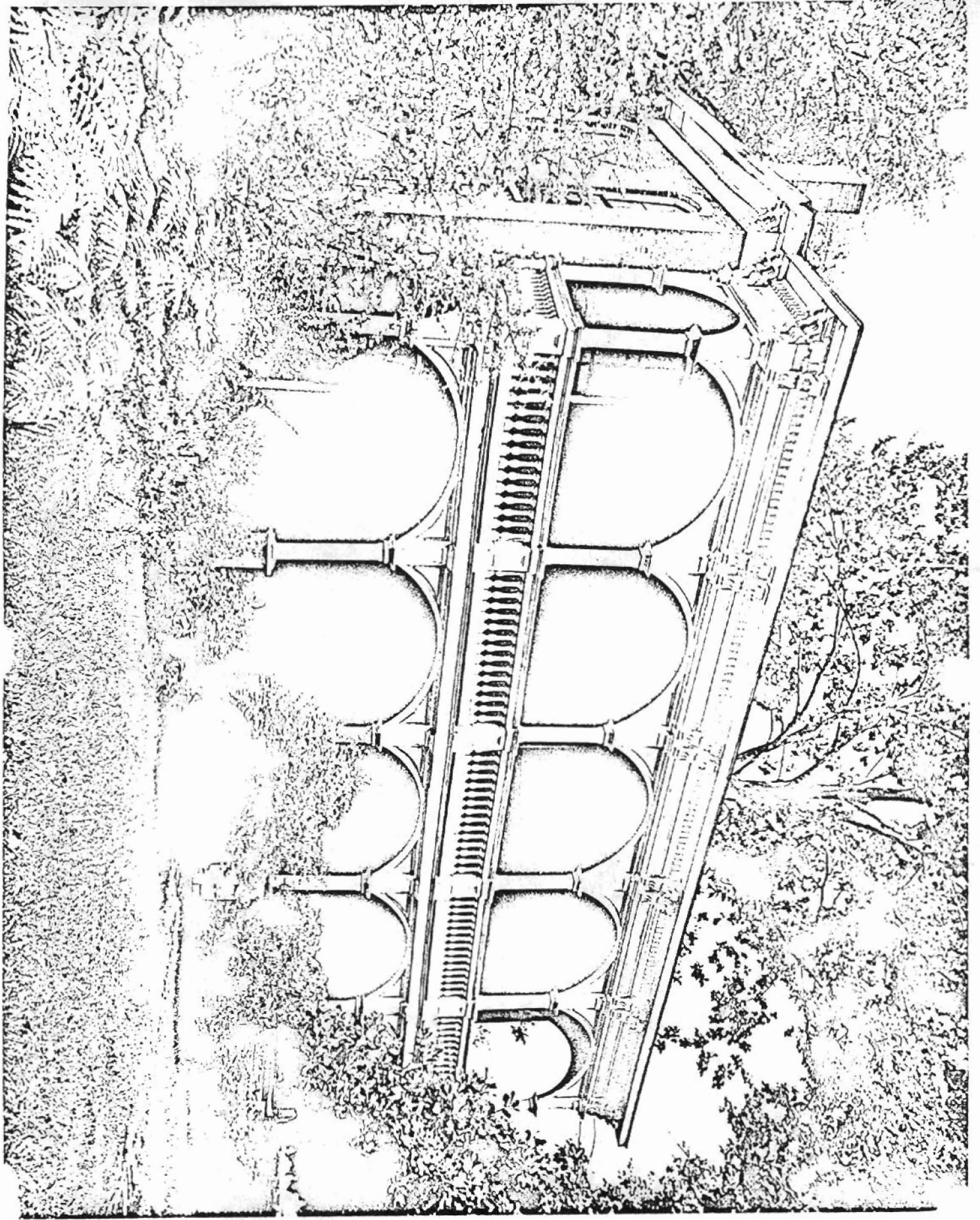
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ATTEST: _____

 Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

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PROPERTY MAP FORM
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2. LOCATION		
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STREET AND NUMBER		
515 Columbia Street		
3. MAP REFERENCE		
SOURCE	DATE	SCALE
USGS 15' Series Latour Quadrangle	1961	1:62,500

REQUIREMENTS: PROPERTY BOUNDARIES, WHERE REQUIRED, AND NORTH ARROW.

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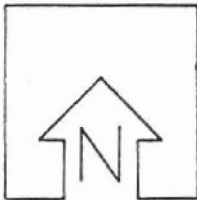
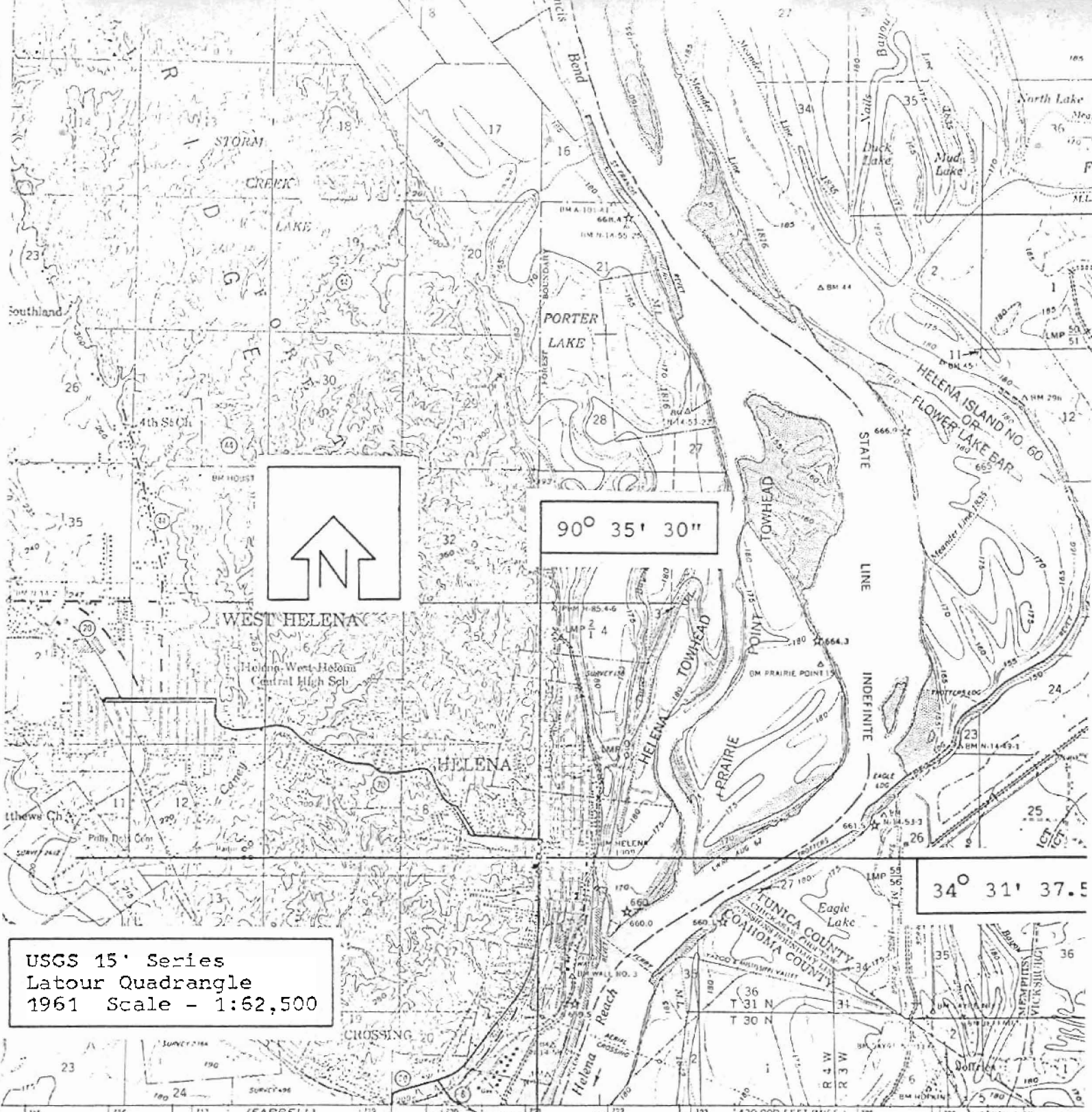
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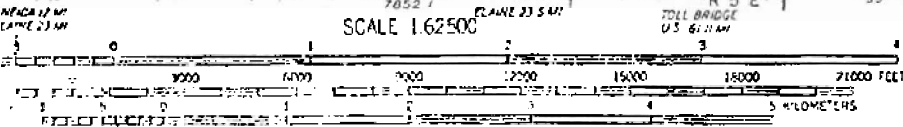
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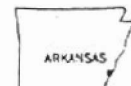
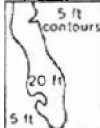
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