

Survey Number CH-10  
 Property Name A.R. Carroll Building  
 Location Main Street (Highway 45)  
 Construction Date 1900

Owner Don McNaughton  
 Address Route #1, Box 143 B  
West Fork, AR 72774

## ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

Appropriately sited on Main Street, once Canehill's bustling commercial center, the A.R. Carroll Building originally housed a drugstore, but now serves as the location of the town's post office. The two-story, symmetrically massed, flat-roofed building is constructed of wood joists spanning masonry bearing walls; its construction is expressed on the exterior in its native stone side (north and south) elevations. Although the first floor of the principal elevation has been altered changing the original articulation of the storefront, the upper story of the building retains its pressed tin facade. The remaining pressed tin was fabricated in imitation of brick and also used to create the decorative cornice that fronts the building's crowning parapet wall. In contrast to this original fabric, a steep shingled shed-roof on wood piers (a c. 1970's alteration) forms the front porch that dominates the lower part of the facade. The original solid/void pattern of the building's fenestration remains but its windows are not original.

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

In spite of an alteration to the first floor of its facade, the A.R. Carroll Building is the only commercial structure extant in Canehill that retains the integrity of sufficient original fabric to recall its appearance during its period of significance. The building, once an important component of Canehill's Main Street business center, typifies the type of structure associated with northwest Arkansas' commercial fabric. Significant features of this building type displayed in the A.R. Carroll Building are its symmetrical delineation and proportions in both plan and elevation, its native stone structural walls, and its pressed tin facade, particularly its decorative cornice. Since the time of the building's construction, its second floor has served as the meeting hall of Canehill's Masonic Lodge; the Masons contributed to the construction financing of the building.

Verbal Boundary Description Block 1, Original Plat, S ½ Lot 6, Lot 6½

Acreeage less than one acre

Quadrangle Name Lincoln, Ark. Quadrangle Scale 1:24000

UTM Reference

Zone 15 Easting 373 980 Northing 3974 535