

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)
Domestic/ Single Dwelling

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)
Vacant/ Not in Use

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(enter categories from instructions)

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

Other: Vernacular/ T-Shaped Plan

foundation stone
walls novelty siding

roof metal
other _____

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally statewide locally

Applicable National Register Criteria A B C D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) A B C D E F G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance

c. 1912 - 1920

Significant Dates

c. 1912

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

9. Major Bibliographical References

See "Historic and Architectural Resources of White County, Arkansas," Section H.

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

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Primary location of additional data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Specify repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property _____

UTM References

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Zone	Easting	Northing

C

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B

Zone	Easting	Northing

D

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Verbal Boundary Description

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Boundary Justification

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Description

During the Railroad Era (1870-1914) in White County a variety of vernacular houses were constructed. They were also built out of a variety of materials. Surviving examples from this period, however, are somewhat limited. The Roy Harper House is a good example of a one-story T-shaped building. It is box constructed while its walls are clad with novelty siding. The gable roof of the building is covered with corrugated metal and the entire structure rests on stone piers.

Located on the north side of County Road 16 one half-mile west of its intersection with County Road 24, this building was constructed approximately three and one-half miles south of the crossroads community of Romance. The Roy Harper House was constructed c. 1912, is presently unoccupied and in fair condition. Its main, or north, elevation of the structure is dominated by a porch that wraps around to the west elevation of the structure. The porch roof is supported by turned posts that are adorned with decorative wooden brackets. Two single wooden doors enter the porch from both the western and northern sides of the building. Fenestration on the main elevation consists of either single or paired symmetrically placed four-over-four double-hung wood sash windows. The gable end on this elevation is decorated with imbricated shingles.

A corbelled brick chimney rises from the gable apex on the western portion of the T. The eastern elevation of the original building is fenestrated with both single and paired symmetrically placed four-over-four double-hung wood sash windows. A shed roof addition is attached to the southwest portion of the original building. It is fenestrated with six-over-six double-hung wood sash windows on both its south and west elevation. Another addition is located on the south elevation of the original building. It has a gable roof and its walls are clad with board and batten. A porch is attached to the west side of this addition and it is connected to the previously mention rear addition. The shed roof of this porch is supported by plain wooden posts and it is entered by two single wooden doors on the west elevation of the board and batten addition. Only one window is found on this portion of the structure and it is asymmetrically placed on the east elevation of the addition.

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Significance

When this building was constructed, c. 1912, it was one of numerous T-shaped buildings built during the Railroad Era (1870-1914). Relatively few of these, however, were of box construction. In fact, only twelve of these still survive in the county and none of them have the amount of integrity found in the Roy Harper House. For this reason it is being nominated under Criterion C with local significance.

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UTM References:

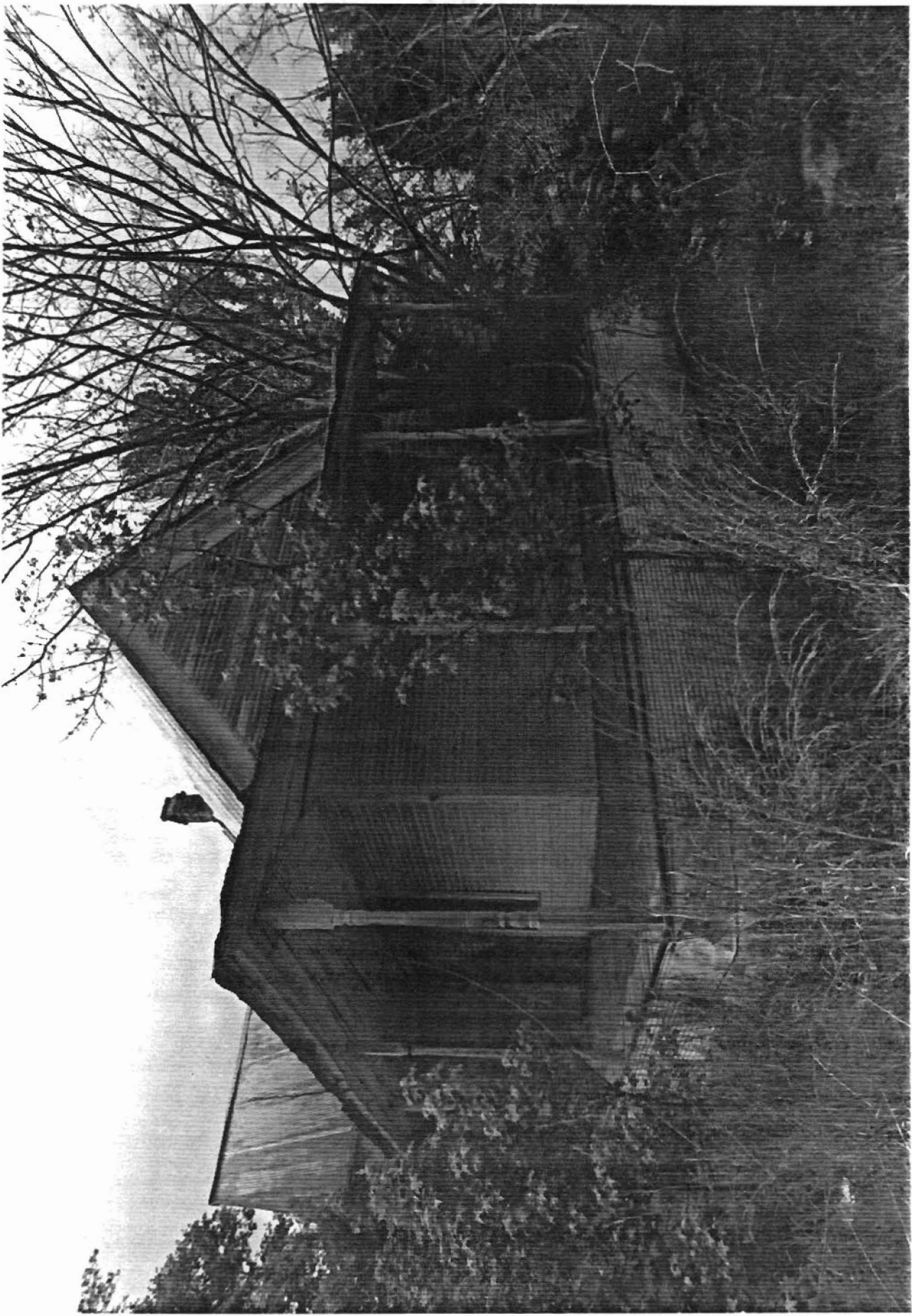
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Verbal Boundary Description:

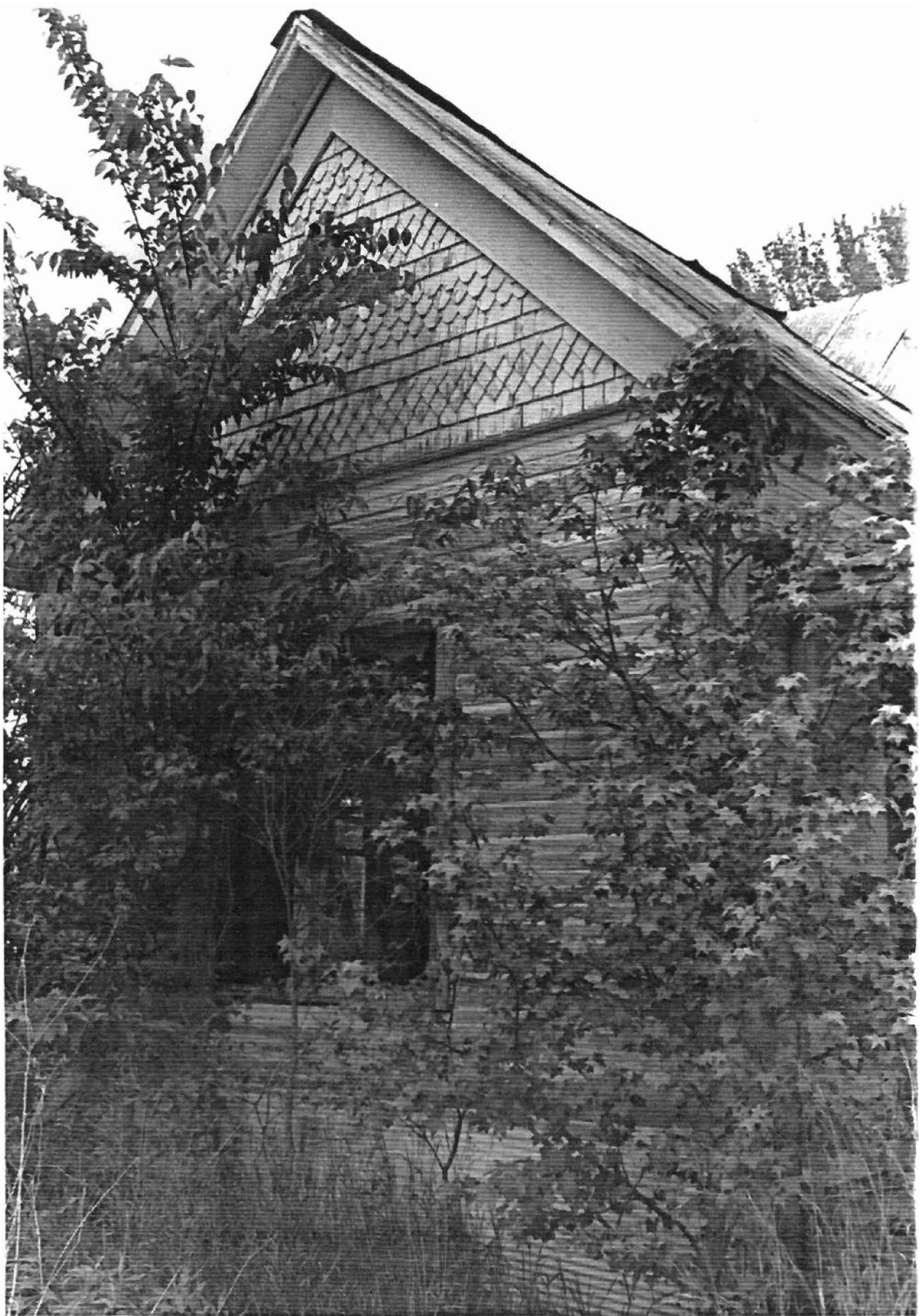
Beginning at the point formed by the intersection the northern edge of County Road 16 with a perpendicular line running parallel to the western elevation of the house and located 50 feet to the west thereof, proceed northerly along said line for a distance of approximately 200 feet to the point formed by its intersection with a perpendicular line running parallel to the northern elevation of the house; thence proceed easterly along said line for a distance of approximately 200 feet to a point formed by its intersection with a perpendicular line running parallel to the eastern elevation of the house; thence proceed southerly for a distance of approximately 200 feet along said line to its intersection with the northern edge of County Road 16; thence proceed westerly for a distance of approximately 200 feet along said line to the point of beginning.

Boundary Justification:

The original lot has been subdivided during the non-historic period, resulting in an indefinite current lot boundary; therefore, this boundary includes all the property historically associated with this resource that retains its integrity.









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