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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Halliburton Townhouses

AND/OR COMMON

Walker-Murrell Houses

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

1601 and 1605 Center Street

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Little Rock

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Second

STATE

Arkansas

VICINITY OF

CODE 05

COUNTY
Pulaski

CODE
119

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

David P. Garner, Jr.

STREET & NUMBER

1605 Center

CITY, TOWN

Little Rock

VICINITY OF

STATE

Arkansas

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Circuit Clerk's Office

STREET & NUMBER

Pulaski County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Little Rock

STATE

Arkansas

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Halliburton Townhouses are a pair of identical two-story, wood-frame houses constructed, probably as rental property, in 1905 and/or 1906. The townhouses were designed in the Neo-classic Revival, primarily an American movement, was popularized by buildings for the Columbian Exposition of 1893 and the Pan-American Exposition of 1901. Though the style began and gained immense popularity through the design of large, monumental structures; there were countless residential applications, some as late as the 1940's.

The Halliburton Townhouses are two-story frame structures within a rectangular plan with its major dimension east-west. **Window bays** project to the north and south approximately two-thirds of the total plan depth from the front. These bays are covered by projecting peaked roofs with shingled gable ends. These projections are all at right angles to the ridge of an otherwise simple hipped-roof. The roofs were probably once wood shingle but now are covered with asphalt composition roofing. The roofs are penetrated by brick columns capped with concrete sills.

Over the main entry (front, west facade) are full width, full-height porticos, protecting an asymmetrically located entrance. Shingled dormers with louvered vents centered above the portico serve as an upper visual terminus in the absence of a pediment. The portico is defined by three round fluted Corinthian columns symmetrically located on the facade. Two Doric pilasters also visually support the portico at its juncture with the body of the structure.

A broad denticulated frieze with a bracketed soffit provides a strong lintel upon which to rest the roof. The frieze and soffit band the entire perimeter of the roof.

The two-story rear porches reflect the uses of the first-and-second-story interior spaces. The first story porch is screened with crossed lattice and provides exterior service area directly off the kitchen area as well as an exterior stair to the second porch. This upper porch provides outside living space adjacent to the second floor bedroom/sitting room areas. The railings are of simple square balusters.

The deep, narrow houses are sheathed with wood siding, approximately six inches in width, with slightly wider vertical trim at corners and other siding terminations. The broad expanses of plain wall area are penetrated by basically symmetrical fenestration. Door and window openings are plainly trimmed with simple entablatures depicting structural lintels. The front facades boast oversize feature windows with leaded stained glass full width upper panels. **There are also** leaded stained glass transoms above the entry doors.

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The lower floors were used primarily as functional living, entertaining dining and service space while the upper floors were used as sleeping and sitting room areas. These uses are virtually unchanged today though slight concessions have been made to accommodate modern appliances and conveniences.

Interior doors are paneled (two vertical over three horizontal). Interior door and window trim is relatively simple in molding profile but is capped by a shelved entablature. Baseboards are approximately eight inch and have a pleasing molding treatment.

The interior stair consists of three flights and two landings. The newell posts are square with molding panels while the railing balusters are turned.

The houses are in very good condition with few modifications. Major modifications in addition to those already mentioned include concreted and bricked entry porticos, lowered ceilings in many areas, and the diamond lattice connecting the two townhouses. **Minor changes have** been in the application of incorrect floor, ceiling and wall finishes; the installation of incorrect light fixtures, etc.

The Halliburton Townhouses' present owner is in the process of restoring the houses in a more authentic manner.

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1905-06

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

In 1905-06 a pair of identical houses were constructed on the corner of Sixteenth and Center Streets, an area which was at the time the most fashionable section of Little Rock. These identical houses are unique in Little Rock. The historical significance of the houses lies in their oddity in being identical and in their architectural style.

Elegantly classical in style, the Halliburton Townhouses are two-story frame structures with hipped roof and brick foundations. Perfectly identical in style, shape and size, the long narrow houses are sheathed in clapboard siding. Two-story porches span the entire width of the facades of the houses and are supported by three fluted Corinthian-capital columns each. Extending from the bracket-supported roof are brick chimneys and on the facade, hipped roof dormers. A denticulated cornice extends around both structures, adding to the classical design. Two-story gabled bays project from both the north and south elevations of each house. A variety of window shapes and textures characterize the house. Each house contains seven large rooms with a side hall plan.

Pulaski County Tax Records indicate that a structure was erected on the property in the 1880's. However, a photograph of Center Street c. 1895 shows that a two-story brick structure occupied the land. Tax records also indicate that in 1905-06 construction again took place on the property now occupied by the townhouses. Thus, architectural style and records suggest that the Halliburton Townhouses were constructed in 1905-06.

The man who is believed to have constructed the houses, Tom Halliburton, was a native of Little Rock who spent his life in the city. He was, for over thirty years, a conductor on the Missouri Pacific Railroad. A prominent and respected resident of the city, Halliburton unsuccessfully ran for Mayor of Little Rock at the turn of the century. Halliburton owned a great deal of rental property in Little Rock and North Little Rock and it is believed that the Halliburton Townhouses were built to function as rental property. Tom Halliburton died January 19, 1918.

The houses are presently owned by David P. Garner, Jr., who is in the process of restoring the houses as authentically as possible. Resting regally on a corner lot, their architectural uniqueness as identical houses, make the Halliburton Townhouses significant historical structures.

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GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than one acre

UTM REFERENCES

A | 1, 5 | | 5 | 6, 6 | 8, 4, 0 | | 3, 8 | 2, 4 | 6, 5, 0 |

B | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

C | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Dan Chapel, Architect and Sandra Taylor, Historian

ORGANIZATION

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program

DATE

9-14-76

STREET & NUMBER

300 West Markham

TELEPHONE

501-371-1639

CITY OR TOWN

Little Rock

STATE

Arkansas

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.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE Anne Bartley



TITLE State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE 9-14-76

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

DATE

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION
ATTEST.

DATE

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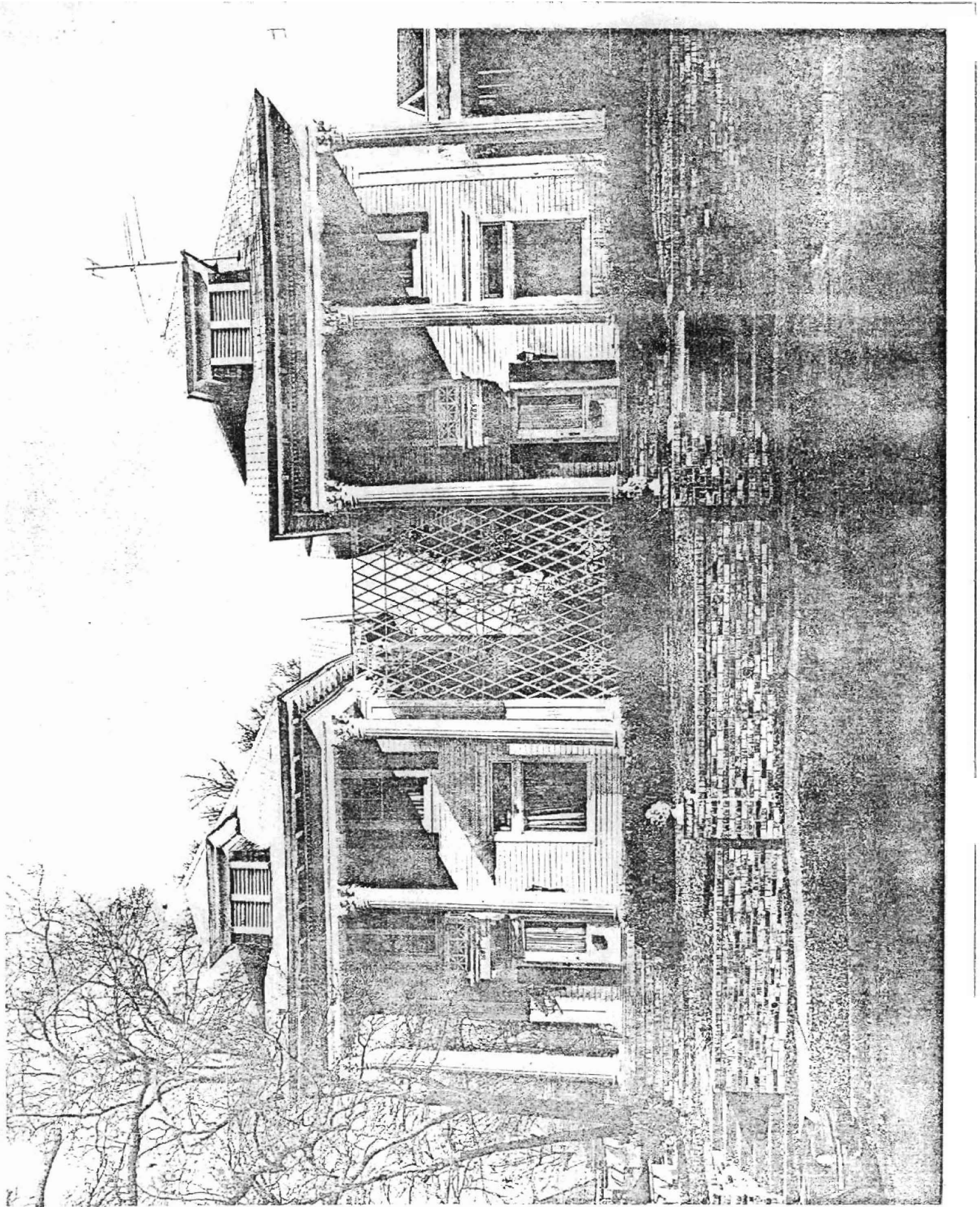
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COUNTY

Pulaski

STATE

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3 PHOTO REFERENCE

PHOTO CREDIT Bob Dunn

DATE OF PHOTO December, 1975

NEGATIVE FILED AT Arkansas Historic Preservation Program

IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. IF DISTRICT, GIVE BUILDING NAME & STREET
facades, viewed from the west

PHOTO NO.
1

AREA PLANNING
ULASKI COUNTY



LITTLE ROCK
Halliburton Townhouses
Little Rock, Arkansas
UTM Reference
15/ 566 840 / 3824 650

1:50,000 FEET
17°30'
WOODLAND HEIGHTS 7.9 MI.
WESTVILLE 10 MI.
CONWAY 32 MI. (VIA U.S. 65)
0.5 MI. TO JUNC. U.S. 65
1:24,000 FEET
17°15'
HILL
ARKANSAS RIVER
MILE 116
1:24,000 FEET
17°15'
1:24,000 FEET
17°15'

LITTLE ROCK QUADRANGLE
ARKANSAS
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)
NE 1/4 ALEXANDER 15' QUADRANGLE
1.7 MI. TO NORTH TERMINAL INTERCHANGE

1961
MONTGOMERY

1:50,000 FEET

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CITY/TOWN Little Rock VICINITY OF COUNTY Pulaski STATE Arkansas

3 MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE U. S. Geological Survey

SCALE 1:24,000 DATE 1961 (photorevised 1970)

4 REQUIREMENTS

TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. PROPERTY BOUNDARIES
2. NORTH ARROW
3. UTM REFERENCES