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National Park Service

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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

NATIONAL REGISTER

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Ray, Sam, House
other names/site number Resource #WHO163

2. Location

street & number State Road 305 not for publication N/A
city, town Clay vicinity
state Arkansas code AR county White code 145 zip code 72143

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	<u> </u>	<u> </u> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<u> </u>	<u> </u> structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> objects
			<u> </u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing:
Historic and Architectural Resources of White County, Arkansas
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register N/A

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.
Catherine St. Buford 5-23-90
Signature of certifying official Date
Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.
Signature of commenting or other official Date
State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:
 entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet.
 determined eligible for the National Register. See continuation sheet.
 determined not eligible for the National Register.
 removed from the National Register.
 other, (explain): _____

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/ Single Dwelling

VACANT/ Not in Use

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(enter categories from instructions)

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

OTHER: Vernacular/ Double-Pile

foundation stone
walls novelty siding
roof metal
other _____

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

See continuation sheet

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Description

During the Boom and Bust Era (1914-1939) 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 Sam Ray House is a rare example of a double-pile house built according to the Creole tradition. This one-story building is of frame construction and clad with novelty siding. The hipped roof is covered with sheet metal and the entire structure rests on stone piers.

Located on the east side of State Road 305 and approximately one-quarter of a mile northeast of County Road 47, this building was constructed near the crossroad community of Clay. The Sam Ray House was constructed c. 1915 and although it is unoccupied, it is still in good condition and unaltered. Its main, or north elevation is dominated by a recessed porch that extends across the entire front of the structure and extends along the entire west side. The roof of this porch is supported by simple wooden box columns. Two single symmetrically placed doors access this porch on both its north and west elevations. Symmetrically arranged four-over-one double-hung wood sash windows are located on the north elevation of the house while similar asymmetrically placed windows reside on the other three sides of the house. Brick chimneys rise from both the eastern and western slopes of the hipped roof. A recessed porch is located on the southeast corner of the building. The roof of this porch is supported by simple wooden box columns and the porch itself is accessed by two single doors.

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. 1915

Significant Dates

c. 1915

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.

See continuation sheet

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Significance

When this building was constructed, c. 1915, it was one of hundreds of double-pile buildings built during the Boom and Bust Era (1914-1939). Although there are two hundred and twenty four of these structures extant in the county, this is the only one built according to a Creole floor plan. Because of this, the Sam Ray House is significant for its contribution to the study of vernacular architecture and is being nominated under Criterion C with local significance.

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Acreage of property: Less than one

UTM References:

A 15/610530/3917940

Verbal Boundary Description:

Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the southern edge of State Highway 305 with a perpendicular line running along the western edge of the house, proceed southerly along said line to its intersection with a perpendicular line running along the building's southern elevation; thence proceed easterly along said line to its intersection with a perpendicular line running along the building's eastern elevation; thence proceed northerly along said line to its intersection with a perpendicular line running along the southern edge of State Highway 124; thence proceed westerly along said line to the point of beginning.

Boundary Justification:

This boundary includes all the property historically associated with this resource.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Ray, Sam, House

MULTIPLE NAME: White County MPS

STATE & COUNTY: ARKANSAS, White

DATE RECEIVED: 8/01/91 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 8/15/91
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 8/31/91 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 9/15/91
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 91001296

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 9/13/91 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

See attached comments

RECOM./CRITERIA Return
REVIEWER Harper
DISCIPLINE Historian
DATE 9/13/91

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

count resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

historic current

DESCRIPTION

architectural classification
 materials
 descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

summary paragraph
 completeness
 clarity
 applicable criteria
 justification of areas checked
 relating significance to the resource
 context
 relationship of integrity to significance
 justification of exception
 other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

acreage verbal boundary description
 UTM's boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps USGS maps photographs presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

Signed Patricia Andrews Phone _____
Date 9/13/91

Ray, Sam, House
White County MPS
White County, ARKANSAS

Reviewer's Comments

The boundaries of this property are presently located along building lines. A resource listed in the National Register should include all features of the property which contribute to its significance. In almost all cases this includes its historic setting. Page 77 of National Register Bulletin 16, Guidelines for Completing National Register of Historic Places Forms, states that "the boundaries of buildings should include the land surrounding the building, unless the lot occupied by the building contains no surrounding land as in the central business district of most cities."

Please revise the boundaries to include the property historically associated with the resource. If a portion of the original setting has lost its integrity, please explain.

Marilyn Harper
Historian
Sept. 16, 1991

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Name of related multiple property listing: Historic and Architectural Resources of White County, Arkansas. Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: N/A

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In my opinion, the property meets (checked) does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet. Signature of commenting or other official: Date:

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is: entered in the National Register (checked), determined eligible for the National Register, determined not eligible for the National Register, removed from the National Register, other (explain:). Signature of the Keeper: Mal M. Ng, Date of Action: 7/23/92

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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 # _____

See continuation sheet

Primary location of additional data:

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

Specify repository: _____

10. Geographical Data *maps*

Acreage of property _____

UTM References

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Zone Easting Northing

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See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification

See continuation sheet

11. Form Prepared By

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organization Arkansas Historic Preservation Program date 13 April, 1990

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Significance

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Acreage of property: Less than one

UTM References:

A 15/610530/3917940

Verbal Boundary Description:

Beginning at the point formed by the intersection of a line running along the southern edge of State Highway 305 with a perpendicular line running parallel to the western elevation of the building and located 50 feet to the west thereof, proceed southerly 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 southern elevation of the building; 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 building; thence proceed northerly for a distance of approximately 200 feet along said line to its intersection with a perpendicular line running along the southern edge of State Highway 305; 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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White County MPS
ARKANSAS

	Date Listed
91001276 Missouri--Pacific Depot <u>Substantive Review</u>	7/20/92
91001277 ✓ Moody House	7/20/92
91001210 Moore House <u>Substantive Review</u>	9-13-91
91001332 ✓ Morris Institute Dairy Barn	7/20/92
91001178 National Guard Armory Building <u>Substantive Review</u>	9-13-91
91001356 ✓ Neaville, J.A., House	7/22/92
91001331 New Mt. Pisgah School <u>Substantive Review</u>	7/20/92
91001360 ✓ Nimmo Clubhouse	7/22/92
91001286 O'Neal, Howard, Farm <u>Substantive Review</u>	7/20/92
91001290 Pangburn, Austin, House	9-5-91
91001203 Paschall House	9-5-91
91001292 Patman House	9-5-91
91001255 Pemberton House	9-5-91
91001305 Pence--Carmichael Farm, Barn and Root Cellar <u>Substantive Review</u>	7/20/92
91001247 ✓ Plummer House	7/22/92
91001249 Powell Clothing Store	9-5-91
91001307 ✓ Prince House	7/22/92
91001361 ✓ Ransom, Edward, Farmstead, Livestock and Equipment Barn	7/22/92
91001213 ✓ Rascoe House	9/23/92
91001296 ✓ Ray, Sam, House	7/23/92
91001343 ✓ Rhew, J. C., Co. Packing Shed	7/23/92
91001231 Rialto Theater <u>Substantive Review</u>	9-13-91
91001245 Robertson Drugstore <u>Substantive Review</u>	9-13-91
91001221 Robertson House	9-5-91
91001195 ✓ Rock Building	7/23/92
91001230 Rodgers, Porter, Sr., House	9-5-91
91001219 Rogers, Bob, House <u>Substantive Review</u>	9-13-91
91001346 Roper House	9-5-91
91001271 ✓ Russell Jail	7/23/92
91001306 Scott--Davis House <u>Substantive Review</u>	7/20/92
91001227 Searcy City Hall	9-5-91
91001200 ✓ Searcy Post Office	7/20/92
91001208 ✓ Sears, Dean L. C., House	7/20/92
91001261 Sellers House	9-5-91
91001257 Shue House	9-5-91
91001299 Shutter, John, House <u>Substantive Review</u>	9-5-91
91001367 ✓ Siler, Luther, Gin <u>Substantive Review</u>	7/20/92
91001342 Simpson, Stanley, Farmstead Picking Sled	9-13-91
91001218 Smith House	9-5-91
91001223 Smith, A. J., House	9-5-91

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EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: RESUBMISSION

PROPERTY NAME: Ray, Sam, House

MULTIPLE NAME: White County MPS

STATE & COUNTY: ARKANSAS, White

DATE RECEIVED: 6/23/92
DATE OF 16TH DAY:
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

DATE OF PENDING LIST:
DATE OF 45TH DAY: 8/07/92

REFERENCE NUMBER: 91001296

NOMINATOR: STATE

DETAILED EVALUATION: Y

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 7/23/92 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Constructed in c. 1915, this double pile, single story house is the only one in White Co. built on a Creole-type plan.

Concerns raised in earlier return have been addressed.

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept/C
REVIEWER Harper
DISCIPLINE Historian
DATE 7/23/92

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

___count ___resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

___historic ___current

DESCRIPTION

___architectural classification
___materials
___descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- ___summary paragraph
___completeness
___clarity
___applicable criteria
___justification of areas checked
___relating significance to the resource
___context
___relationship of integrity to significance
___justification of exception
___other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

___acreage ___verbal boundary description
___UTMs ___boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

___sketch maps ___USGS maps ___photographs ___presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

Phone

Signed Date



SAM RAY HOUSE
CLAY VIC., ARKANSAS White
PHOTOGRAPHED BY S. MITCHELL
APRIL, 1986
NEGATIVE ON FILE AT AHPP
PORCH DETAIL



SAM RAY HOUSE
CLAY vic., ARKANSAS (white)

PHOTOGRAPHED BY S. MITCHELL

APRIL, 1986

NEGATIVE ON FILE AT AHPP

VIEW FROM SOUTHEAST



SAM RAY HOUSE *White*

CLAY VIC., ARKANSAS

PHOTOGRAPHED BY S. MITCHELL

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NEGATIVE ON FILE AT AHPP

VIEW FROM WEST



SAM RAY HOUSE *White*

CLAY VIC., ARKANSAS

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NEGATIVE ON FILE AT AHPP

VIEW FROM NORTHWEST

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SAM RAY HOUSE

White

CLAY VIC., ARKANSAS

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PORCH FLOOR AND COLUMN DETAIL

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64500033