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ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS AND HERITAGE
Nomination Form

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COUNTY Barbour

NAME: Present Marie Incls Turner Hightower Historic Dr. Alex Turner (Barbour Co.#79)

LOCATION: Street and Number 1 mile north of Clayton Eufala Rd. on old Glenville Rd.
(gate is on west of road, about 1/4 mile south of railroad)
Town (Give directions if rural) 7 miles north of Clayton, turn N. at La. Pacific sign.

A MAP WITH THE LANDMARK MARKED MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THIS FORM

CATEGORY: Building (X) Structure () Object () Site () District ()

USE: Present Historic Home and farm

OWNERSHIP: Public () Private (X)

Owner's Name Mrs. Draffus Hightower

Mailing Address

INTEGRITY: Original Site (X) Moved () When?

From where? (Give details in significance.)

CONDITIONS: Excellent () Good (X) Fair () Ruins ()

THREATS: No (X) Yes () By What?

RESTORATION WORK: Being considered (X) Underway () Completed () Not planned ()

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Open land () Woodland (X) Scattered buildings ()
High building density () Commercial () Industrial ()
Residential () Rural ()

Acreage

For all categories other than a district and object give a site plan with a North arrow. Show related buildings.

For a district give a verbal boundary description and attach a sketch map of the district.

SIGNIFICANCE:

Why is this landmark significant? (x) associated with events, persons, or movements
Local (x) State () National ()
() a good example of a type or style of structure
() other

Explain: (Briefly state why the above is true)

Date of Construction or Period of major importance. 1859

Architect or Builder (Give name and biographies, if known) White Oak Community People
built: Free and Tom Tiller-tenant farmers and carpenters

Lumber: Mr. Hammitt-ran saw mill (dam is still there)...cut all the lumber and planed it by hand.

Give a complete but concise history of the Landmark. Include information on important people and events associated with the landmark. (USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY)

Dr. Alex Turner-bought land from Green Beauchamp (who homesteaded the land in 1840's)
Dr. Turner was born in Islay, Argyllshire, Scotland, in 1819. He lived and was educated in So. Carolina and Pennsylvania before coming to Barbour County to begin practicing medicine in the 1850's at White Oak Springs. (He first boarded with Green Beauchamp). He married Charlotte Gertrude Carleton in 1859. Miss Carleton was born at Marshfield, Vt. in 1830. She was a Governess for the McClendons (who lived near Palmyra Church)

They became prominent leaders in the White Oaks area: he a trusted country doctor. (The large plantation also had the Hamitt sawmill)-She taught the McKinnons (Neil) (later of Comer)-and had a school on the Turner Place.

State sources of information, giving full bibliographical data:

Mrs. Marie Hightower-grand daughter of 1st owner of Turner House-is a graduate of Univ. of Alabama at Mobile, school of Pharmacy, 1920. She is the wife of D.L. Hightower, retired Chevrolet dealer. The Hightowers take an active interest in the agriculture of the land and preservation of the historic old "home place".

DESCRIPTION: PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE LANDMARK MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THIS FORM.

Complete as directed below for each category.

BUILDING:

Number of stories 1 Foundation rock pillars Basement _____

Wall Material: (Note changes from one floor or wing to another)
(clapboard, brick, stone, wood shingle, board and batton, stucco over wood or brick, metal, logs)

Heart pine planks-called weather board (all select cut)
Design-plantation style, double pen with "dogtrot" and "L"

Structural System: (If known)

Wood frame (x) Load-bearing masonry () Iron or Steel ()

DESCRIPTION (Continued)

Roof Type: (Gable, Gambrel, Mansard, Flat, Hipped, Combination)

Roof Covering: (Wood shingle, Asphalt, Tile, Metal, Slate)

Tin-replaced original wood shingles after fire

Roof Trim: (Cornices, bargeboard, brackets, etc.)

Porches: Front (type and description) Straight across two large rooms and hall.

4 large -original wooden frame columns

Rear (type and description) _____

Side (type and description) Kitchen an "L" has porch down one side

Doors: Main entrance (location, description) 4 rooms all entered from center hall.
has door on N.; dining has door on south

Other entrances (location, description) Kitchen back bedroom and pantry open
off "L"

Windows: Types and number of each floor of facade Sash windows, 12 panes to each;
plain finish-formerly had shutters-2 on each side of hall

Types and number per floor for sides and rear

3 on each sides, 2 on east; Kitchen & dining has 2 on N. and 1 on east (back)

Interior: Describe mantels, stairways, wainscoting, plasterwork and any unusual features.

Mantels-2, front 2 rooms, pine wood plain molding trim.

Windows-plain pine trim

Stairways-none (front and rear steps-wooden plans)

Wall and ceilings finish-original exposed pine planks

flooring-original broad dressed pine

Other: Use this space to describe any additions, alterations, outbuildings or other
features of the structure and its surroundings.

Outbuildings-Barn and pasture (4 acres) on west. Smokehouse, potatoe house, and imple-
ment shed

General setting and orientation-Sets on slight elevation-on private road back from
Highway 79. Pecan orchard on northside (4 acres)-An acre garden spot on east side.

On an additional sheet make a sketch of the floor plan of the building, showing
dimensions if possible.

THIS IS NOT REQUIRED!

DESCRIPTION (Continued)

- STRUCTURE: On a separate sheet of paper give a complete as possible verbal description of the structure. (See examples)
- OBJECT: On a separate sheet of paper give a complete as possible verbal description of the object. (See examples)
- SITE: On a separate sheet of paper give the present description of the site and how the site is believed to have looked during its period of importance.
- DISTRICT: On a separate sheet of paper give a general description of the district. Also needed is a numbered list of the structures in the district corresponding to the sketch map. This listing should include a name for the structure, a date of construction, a brief description, a statement of why the structure is significant, if it is.

A MAP WITH THE LANDMARK MARKED AND PHOTOGRAPHS MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THIS FORM

Map: A U.S. Geological Survey Map is preferred, but if you are unable to obtain one a county highway map may be used.

Photographs: Black and white, glossy finish, 5 x 7, or 8 x 10, is preferred.

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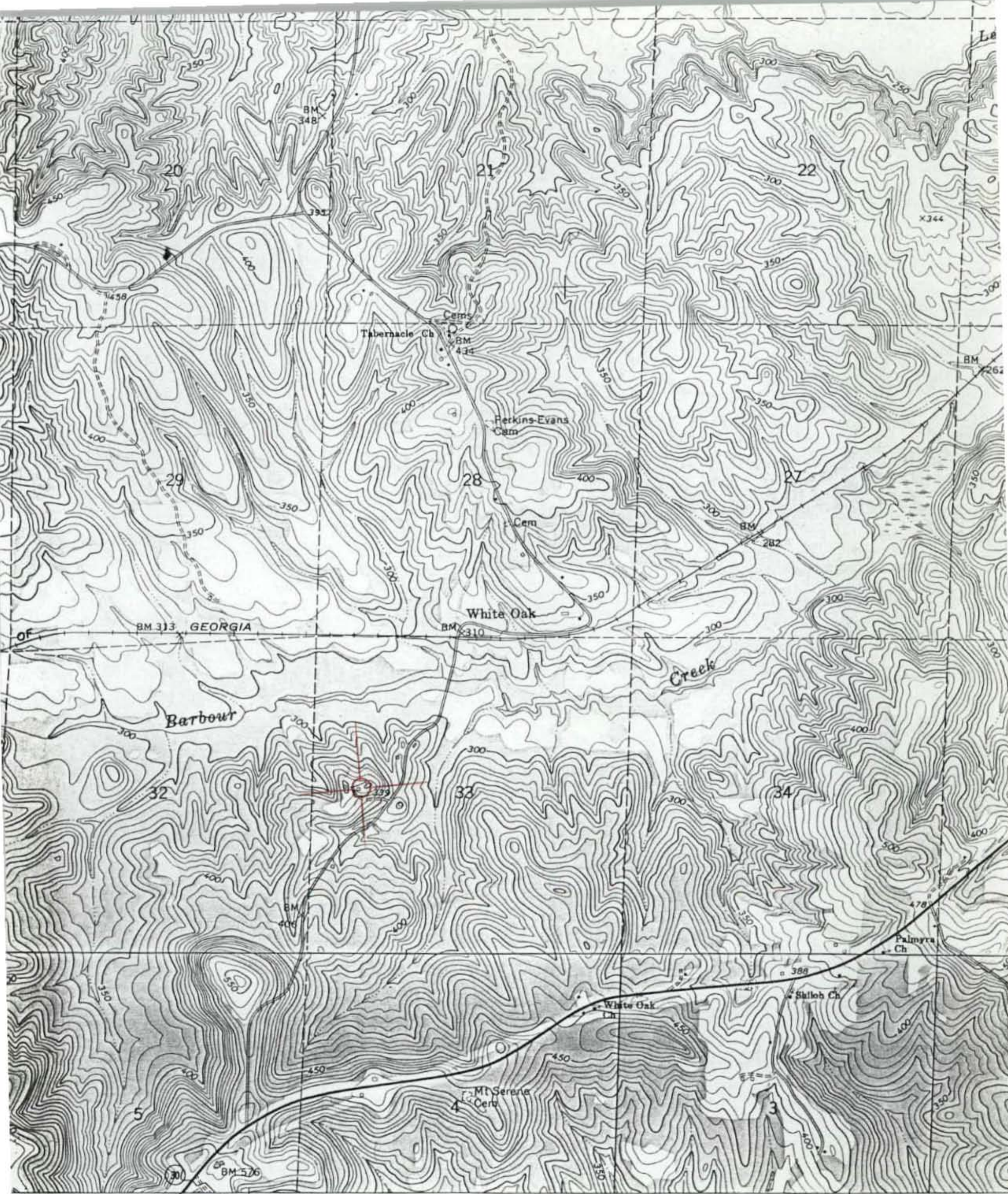
MAP REFERENCE: MAP White Oak Quadrangle (7.5 Min. Series)

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Thematic Category _____

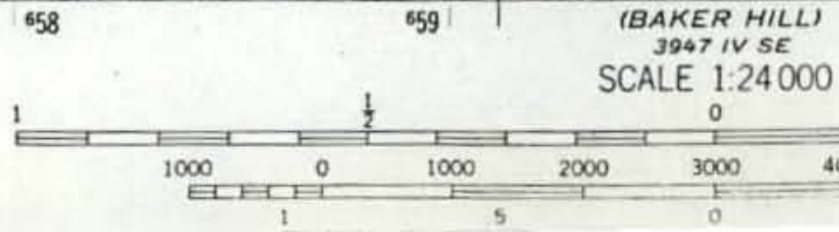
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