

ALABAMA HISTORIC INVENTORY

Alabama Historical Commission
725 Monroe Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36130

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1. No.	4. Present Name(s) Grant-Carleton House
2. County Clarke	5. Other Name(s)
3. Location of Negatives	

6. Specific Location Clarke Street	16. Thematic Category Art-Architecture	27. No. of Stories 1
	17. Date(s) or Period c. 1850's	28. Basement? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7. City or Town Grove Hill 3	18. Style or Design	29. Foundation Material Stone piers
8. Site Plan with North Arrow	19. Architect or Engineer	30. Wall Construction Woodframe, log
	20. Contractor or Builder	31. Roof Type & Material Gable-tin
	21. Original Use, if apparent Residence	32. No. of Bays Front 3 Side 5
	22. Present Use Residence	33. Wall Treatment
	23. Ownership Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	34. Plan Shape Irregular
9. Coordinates	24. Owner's Name & Address, if known Mrs. Carleton Farish Sawyer 325 Manor Road Birmingham, Michigan 48008	35. Changes (Explain in No. 41) Addition <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/>
	25. Local Contact Betty L. Norris P. O. Box 742 Jackson, AL. 36545	36. Condition Interior Fair Exterior Fair
	26. Location of Additional Data	37. Preservation Underway? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		38. Endangered? By What? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		39. Visible from Public Road? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
		40. Acreage, Lot Size 10-15 acres

41. Further Description of Important Features: Structure was originally a double pen dog trot with detached kitchen and smokehouse. The kitchen was later attached and 2 rooms were added. A 2-room structure was later moved and attached to the south end of the front porch. The front porch is full-length and is partially screened with a roof continuous with the roofline of the house. The main entrance is 4-paneled with sidelites and a transom. The roof is supported by 4 graduated wooden columns with balusters between each.

42. History and Significance: Issac Grant moved his family into the house in 1860 having purchased it from David E. Thomas in that year. The Grants or their ancestors have lived in the house since then.

43. Description of Environment and Outbuildings: Residential district--Grove Hill.

44. Sources of Information AR nomination form	45. Prepared By 296-5310
	47. Date 4-4-79
48. Staff Member D. Baldwin	49. Revision Date(s)

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2. County
Clarke
4. Present Name(s)
Grant-Carleton House
5. Other Name(s)
6. Card Typed

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ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS & HERITAGE NOMINATION FORM

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Grant-Carleton House

AND/OR COMMON

Grant-Carleton House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Grove Hill

VICINITY OF

STATE

CODE

COUNTY

CODE

Alabama

Clarke

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

DISTRICT
 BUILDING(S)
 STRUCTURE
 SITE
 OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

PUBLIC
 PRIVATE
 BOTH
PUBLIC ACQUISITION
 IN PROCESS
 BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

OCCUPIED
 UNOCCUPIED
 WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
 YES RESTRICTED
 YES UNRESTRICTED
 NO

PRESENT USE

AGRICULTURE
 COMMERCIAL
 EDUCATIONAL
 ENTERTAINMENT
 GOVERNMENT
 INDUSTRIAL
 MILITARY
 MUSEUM
 PARK
 PRIVATE RESIDENCE
 RELIGIOUS
 SCIENTIFIC
 TRANSPORTATION
 OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mrs. Carleton Parish (Fred) Sawyer

STREET & NUMBER

325 Manor Road

CITY TOWN

STATE

Birmingham

VICINITY OF

Michigan

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC Clarke County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY TOWN

Grove Hill

STATE

Alabama

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Grant-Carleton House, built in the 1850's in Clarke County, is a single-story frame structure and has been owned by the Grant family and their descendants since 1860.

The gabled metal roof extends over a full-length, partially screened front porch. The porch roof is supported by 4 square wooden columns connected by slender balusters. The 2 windows of the 3-bay facade are 6/9 double-hung sash and the main entrance is a single-leaf door of 4 panels with sidelights and transom.

The original detached kitchen has been joined to the house, and a two-room structure was moved and attached to the south end of the front porch. Two additional rooms have been added to the original portion of the house.

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS-GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

1850's

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

After purchasing the house and property from David E. Thomas in 1860, Isaac Grant occupied the home, later sold it and then re-purchased it in 1885. The Grants or their descendants have occupied the home since that time.

Isaac Grant was an important figure in early Clarke County civic and political affairs, and was editor and publisher of the county's first newspaper.



Proposed
8/78



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ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS AND HERITAGE
Nomination Form

COUNTY Clarke

NAME: Present Grant-Carleton House Historic Grant-Carleton House

LOCATION: Street and Number _____

Town (Give directions if rural) Grove Hill, Alabama

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

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

USE: Present none Historic private residence

OWNERSHIP: Public () Private ()

Owner's Name Mrs. Carleton Farish (Fred) Sawyer

Mailing Address 325 Manor Road

Birmingham, Michigan 48008

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

From where? _____ (Give details in significance.)

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

TREATS: No () Yes () By What? _____

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

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

Acreage 10-15 acres

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? (✓) associated with events, persons, or movements
Local (✓) State () National ()
() a good example of a type or style of structure
() other

Explain: (Briefly state why the above is true) Isaac Grant founded and served as editor and publisher of the Clarke County Democrat from 1856 until his death in 1907. He was succeeded in his work by his grandson George A. Carleton, who continued as editor and publisher until his death on Aug 25, 1972.

Date of Construction or Period of major importance. 1850's, approximate.

Architect or Builder (Give name and biographies, if known)
unknown

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)

Isaac Grant was an important figure in civic and local political affairs, served as editor and publisher of Clarke County's first newspaper. Isaac Grant moved his family into the Grant-Carleton House in 1860, having purchased it on May 4, 1860 from David E. Thomas. The Grants lived there some years, but records show that at 1 point the house was sold and then re-purchased in 1885. The Grants or their offspring continued to live in the house until the present day.

State sources of information, giving full bibliographical data:

Miss M. Annie May Pugh, local historian
Mrs. Laurie Carleton, widow of George A. Carleton.
Deeds and records in Clarke County Courthouse

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

Complete as directed below for each category.

BUILDING:

Number of stories 1 Foundation stone blocks 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)

Structural System: (If known)

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

DESCRIPTION (Continued)

Roof Type: (Gable, Gambrel, Mansard, Flat, Hipped, Combination) gable
Roof Covering: (Wood shingle, Asphalt, Tile, Metal, Slate) metal (tin)
Roof Trim: (Cornices, bargeboard, brackets, etc.) none

Porches: Front (type and description) 4 graduated, hand-made columns, and
bannisters.

Rear (type and description) none

Side (type and description) porch

Doors: Main entrance (location, description) 4-paneled front door with transom
and sidelights

Other entrances (location, description) 2 doors in central hall opening into
2 main rooms. Some wrought iron hinges, 2 iron drop-latches. Inside doors are
hand-planed.

Windows: Types and number of each floor of facade 2 front windows with movable sashes.

Types and number per floor for sides and rear 2 windows on each side,
located on either side of a fireplace.

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

4 mantels, all wooden. 1 is scalloped. 2 rooms open off a central dogtrot-type
hall. Rooms are board-and-batten. Floors have 1 1/4" planks, 8" planks in
Kitchen, which was not joined to the house. 4 limestone fireplaces, 3 chimneys,
Ceilings covered later with beading.

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

Original structure was a dogtrot-type doublepen house with a kitchen and
a smokehouse in back. Later 2 rooms were added, and the kitchen then
attached to the house. House made of long-leaf pine boards, with
handmade square nails. A two-room structure was later moved and attached
to south end of front porch, which extended across the entire facade.

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.

FORM PREPARED BY

Name Betty L. Norris Date 8-16-78
Address 10 Box 742 Jackson Telephone 246-5310
Town Jackson AL 36545
Organization county coordinator, State Historical Commission

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STAFF COMMENTS:

MAP REFERENCE: MAP _____

U. T. M. Reference Zone Easting Northing

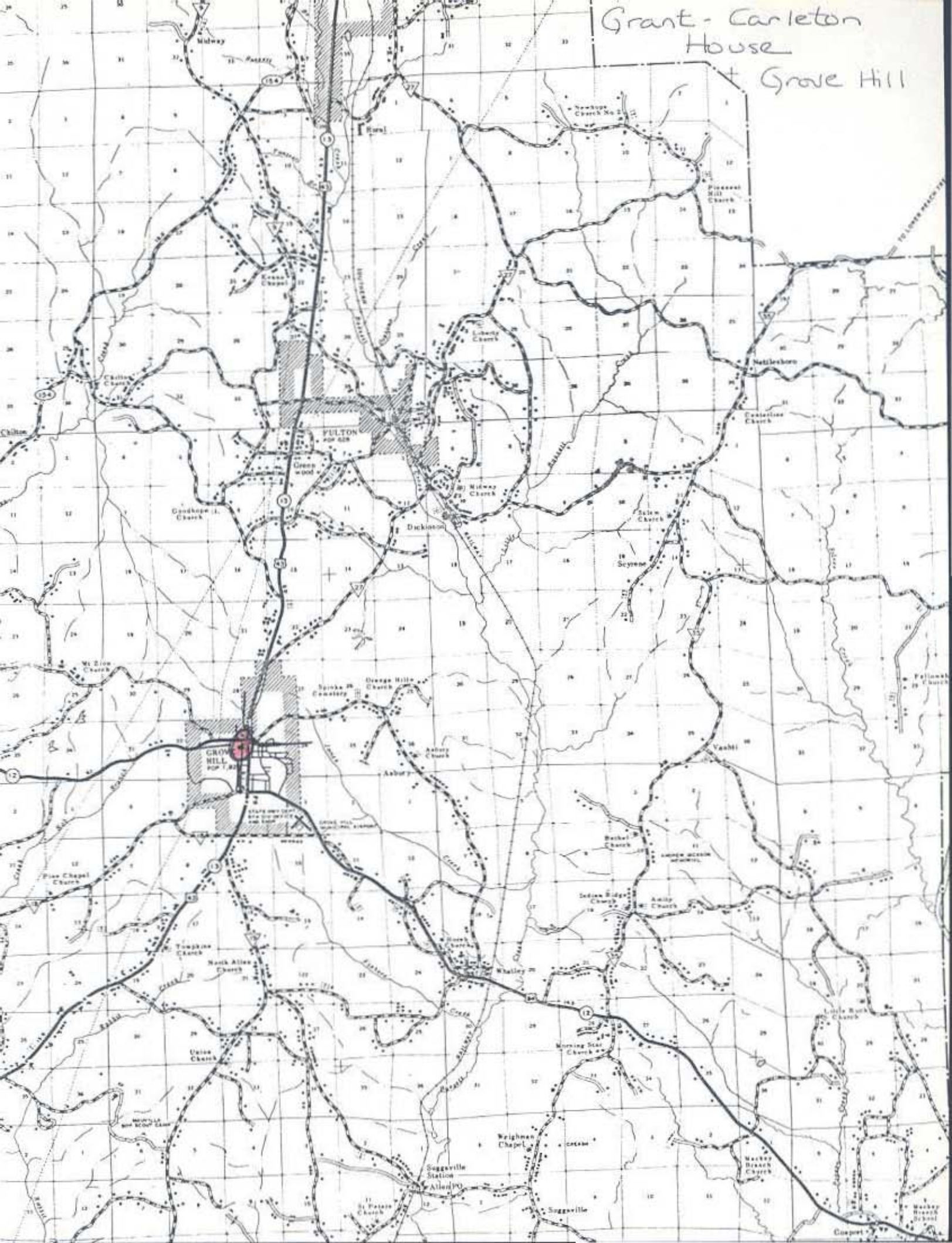
Thematic Category _____

Added to ALABAMA REGISTER _____

NATIONAL REGISTER Potential

Grant - Carleton
House

+ Grave Hill



① Grant-Carleton House

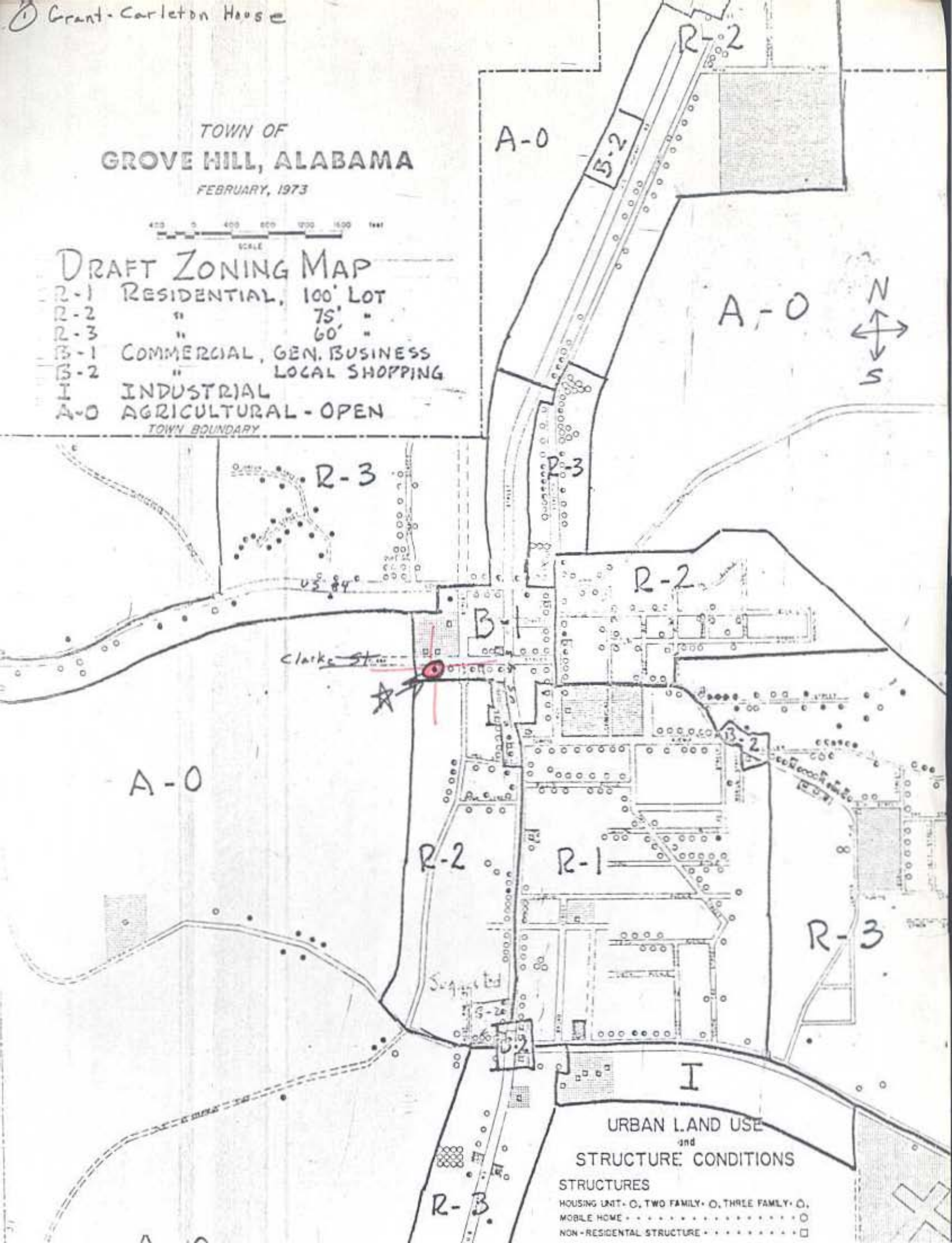
TOWN OF GROVE HILL, ALABAMA

FEBRUARY, 1973



DRAFT ZONING MAP

- R-1 RESIDENTIAL, 100' LOT
 - R-2 " " 75' "
 - R-3 " " 60' "
 - B-1 COMMERCIAL, GEN. BUSINESS
 - B-2 " LOCAL SHOPPING
 - I INDUSTRIAL
 - A-0 AGRICULTURAL - OPEN
- TOWN BOUNDARY



URBAN LAND USE and STRUCTURE CONDITIONS

- STRUCTURES
- HOUSING UNIT - O, TWO FAMILY - O, THREE FAMILY - O,
 - MOBILE HOME -
 - NON-RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE -







