

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

FOR FEDERAL PROPERTIES

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

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Coffeeville Hotel

AND/OR COMMON

Hamblet Hotel

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Coffeeville

STATE
Mississippi

— VICINITY OF

CODE
28-0500-161

— NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1st Congressional District

COUNTY

Yalobusha

CODE

161

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER: Vacant

4 AGENCY

REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS: (If applicable)

Vicksburg District, Corps of Engineers

STREET & NUMBER

P. O. Box 60 LMKPD

CITY, TOWN

Vicksburg

— VICINITY OF

STATE

Mississippi 39180

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Vicksburg District, Corps of Engineers

STREET & NUMBER

P. O. Box 60 LMKRE

CITY, TOWN

Vicksburg

STATE

Mississippi 39180

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE Report on the Coffeeville Hotel and Other Tracts Owned by the United States
Army Corps of Engineers, Vicksburg District, by Harry P. Owens

DATE

24 February 1981

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Corps of Engineers
Vicksburg District

CITY, TOWN

Vicksburg

STATE

Mississippi

Request for determination of eligibility by U. S. Army Corps of Engineers,
Vicksburg District on 26 November 1980 (SHPO) and 3 June 1981 (HCRS)

Incl 1

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input 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 Coffeerville Hotel is a rectangular, wood, frame two-story building with a recessed front portico (Photo 1). The hotel rests on a northwest-southeast, northeast-southwest axis with its northwesterly side fronting on the Illinois Central Railroad.

The building measures 51 feet 10 inches from front to back and is 70 feet 10 inches wide. The front of the hotel is characterized by a recessed front portico with closed rooms on either end on both the ground and upper floors. The portico measures 39 feet 10 inches by 9 feet. The lower floor is constructed of poured concrete while the upper floor (same dimensions) is made of 1- by 4-inch tongue and groove pine flooring. Four wooden framed columns (14 by 16 inches) support the upper floor and roof.

The northeast side, between the north and east corner, contains eight single-paned windows, four below and four above. The exterior window framing of all windows is of plain 1- by 6-inch pine boards. The sashes are of a commercial, standard design. The third lower window from the north corner replaced a side entrance where the interior hallway was remodeled in 1949.

The southwest exterior wall has four windows on the upper floor and five on the lower floor; all are single pane.

The rear of the house has also been altered; its L-shaped kitchen area and porch, which run the full length of the back of the hotel, were removed in 1954 (Photo 2). The effect of this remodeling is most apparent in the outside wall for approximately 30 feet from the south corner toward the east corner where the kitchen once stood. The lower back floor has three exterior doors and one window. The doors once supplied access to the kitchen, the outside, and the original porch. The window also once opened onto the porch.

The original foundation consisted of brick piers of commercial brick and standard construction techniques. Parts of the intervening spaces between the exterior piers were filled with cement blocks during the 1950's (Photo 3). The sills are 6.5- by 10-inch rough sawn pine timber. The floor joists are 2- by 12-inch rough sawn pine set on 24-inch centers. The corner joinings are of a simple butt type fastened by commercial nails. The exterior walls are of 1- by 6-inch finished pine boards, overlapped and fastened by commercial nails. The corners are finished with vertical 1- by 6-inch pine boards and a quarter round molding at the joining. The eaves are enclosed by simple boxing on all sides, but are in bad condition because of weathering. There are no gutters or downspouts.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

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| <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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS | <input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE | <input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699 | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY | <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900- | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION | | |

SPECIFIC DATES

1906 -

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

Unknown

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The building meets the criteria for National Register eligibility because it is "associated with the events that have made a significant contribution to the broad pattern of our history." The importance of the railroad to the economic, social, and commercial history of Coffeerville is illustrated by this building, located a few yards from the Illinois Central depot. Activities which depended on the railroad and were centered at the hotel included the accommodation of travelers, the display and sale of goods by drummers, and the location of professional offices to serve both rural and town clients. For the Coffeerville community, the hotel served as the single most significant product of the railroad age. The impact of the automobile upon passenger rail service is also vividly illustrated by the decline of the hotel after World War II.

As an example of the architectural history of railroad hotels in Mississippi, the Coffeerville hotel is moderately significant. It was designed with a spacious double gallery for the enjoyment of its guests, and with a pair of pyramidal roofs which visually announce the building as an important place. The sheer size, the symmetrical composition, and the spacious plan are combined to produce an unexpectantly prominent building in Coffeerville.

Approved for National Register listing by the National Park Service

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Owens, Harry P., Report on the Coffeerville Hotel and Other Tracts Owned by the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Vicksburg District, 1980

* Available in Vicksburg District, Corps of Engineers, Planning Division, Environmental Analysis Branch

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED
1.05M NOT VERIFIED

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

UTM REFERENCES

A	1, 6	2, 5, 3, 0, 3, 0	3, 7, 16, 2, 0, 2, 5	B			
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C				D			

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The Coffeerville Hotel rests on Yalobusha County tract 1617. From the northernmost point of block west of the town of Coffeerville, 182 feet down the northern boundary line at South 50° 20' West is the northernmost corner of this tract. The tract shares a common border with the Boyd Hughes property to South 39° 40' East approximately 162 feet. Then the line turns to South 50° 20' West some 286 feet along the common border of the Rena B. Smith property, and then back to 39° 40' West, approximately 160 feet along the border of

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Mary Ellen Fogarty - LMKPD-0

9 July 1981

ORGANIZATION

Vicksburg District, Corps of Engineers

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

P. O. Box 60

TELEPHONE

(601) 634-5968

CITY OR TOWN

Vicksburg

STATE

Mississippi 39180

12 CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATION

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

YES _____ NO _____ NONE _____

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

In compliance with Executive Order 11593, I hereby nominate this property to the National Register, certifying that the State Historic Preservation Officer has been allowed 90 days in which to present the nomination to the State Review Board and to evaluate its significance. The evaluated level of significance is _____ National _____ State _____ Local.

FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

TITLE Samuel P. Collins, Jr., Colonel, Corps of Engineers, Commander & District Engineer, Vicksburg District DATE

Richard P. Newberry
Federal Representative

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

William H. Branham

DATE 3.1.82

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE 2/26/82

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The roofline is of hip joint construction sloping to all sides from the roof tree which extends from northeast to southwest across the central 40 feet of the building. The front corner rooms, which enclose the portico, have peaked roofs. The peak of each roof is covered by a spherical ornament. The roof over the portico is a simple shed type, sloping to the front. The roof is of galvanized tin, but it has been repaired with asphalt and asbestos roll roofing materials. The tops of the chimneys were removed below the roofline.

A description of the interior of the house will not be given as it is not a necessary factor in assessing the hotel's significance.

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the Douglas Landreth property, which ends at the southerly right-of-way of the Illinois Central Railroad. The property then runs to North $54^{\circ} 20'$ East some 286 feet back to the point of beginning.



PHOTO 1

1. Coffeerville Hotel, Vicksburg District, Corps of Engineers
 2. Coffeerville, Mississippi
 3. Mr. Michael E. Strachn
 4. May, 1981
 5. Corps of Engineers, Vicksburg District, Planning Division
 6. Front view Coffeerville Hotel facing south
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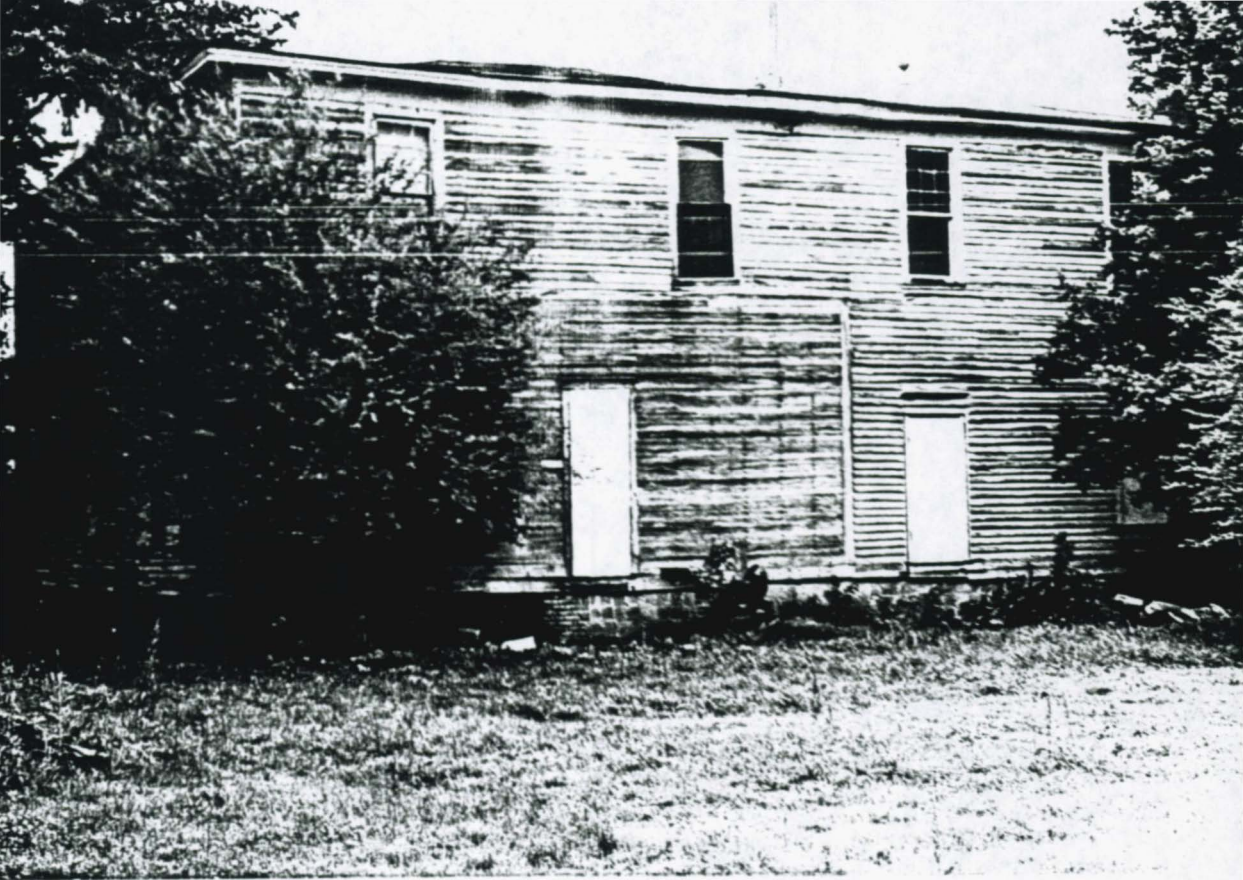


PHOTO 2

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3. Mr. Michael E. Strachn
4. May, 1981
5. Corps of Engineers, Vicksburg, District, Planning Division
6. Back view Coffeeville Hotel facing north

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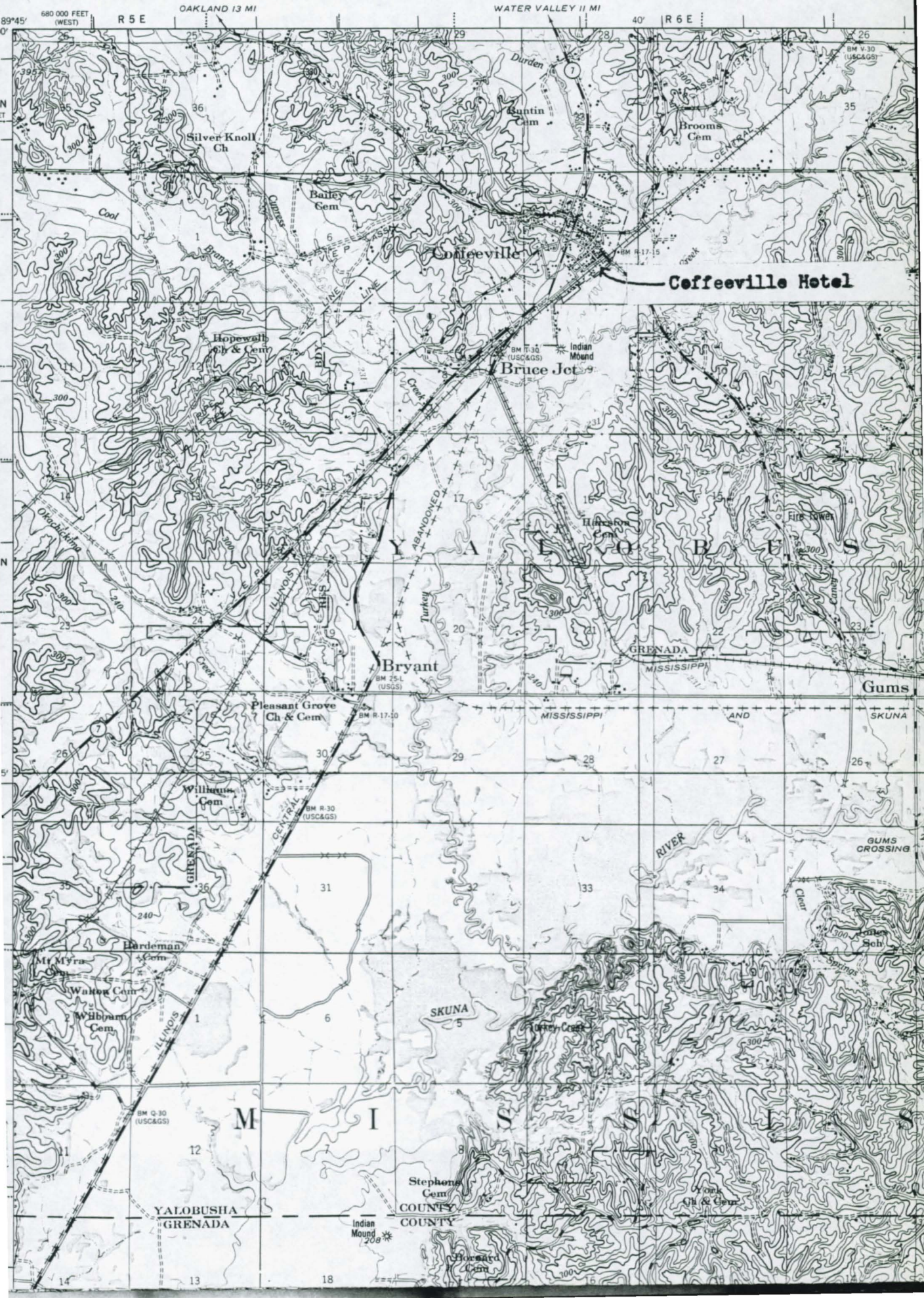


PHOTO 3

1. Coffeerville Hotel, Vicksburg District, Corps of Engineers
2. Coffeerville, Mississippi
3. Mr. Michael E. Strachn
4. May, 1981
5. Corps of Engineers, Vicksburg, District, Planning Division
6. Front view of Coffeerville Hotel facing south

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CORPS OF ENGINEERS
U. S. ARMY



680 000 FEET (WEST)

89°45'

R 5 E

OAKLAND 13 MI

WATER VALLEY 11 MI

40' R 6 E

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