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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	Mississippi	
COUNTY:	Carroll	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE	
70-8-23-0013	8/25	

**1. NAME**

COMMON: Malmaison *gite*

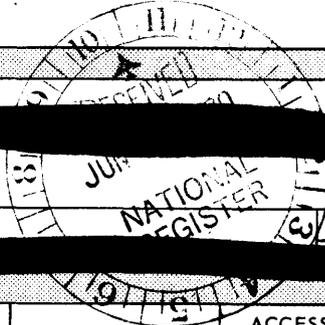
AND/OR HISTORIC: Malmaison

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER: [REDACTED]

CITY OR TOWN: [REDACTED]

STATE: [REDACTED] CODE: [REDACTED] COUNTY: [REDACTED] CODE: [REDACTED]



**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____ Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

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**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNER'S NAME: Mr. Claude Shook

STREET AND NUMBER: [REDACTED]

CITY OR TOWN: Charleston STATE: Mississippi CODE: 23

STATE: Mississippi

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Carroll County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER: [REDACTED]

CITY OR TOWN: Carrollton STATE: Mississippi CODE: 23

COUNTY: Carroll

**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE OF SURVEY: Historic American Buildings Survey

DATE OF SURVEY: 1936  Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Division of Prints and Photographs

STREET AND NUMBER: Library of Congress

CITY OR TOWN: Washington STATE: District of Columbia CODE: 08

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## 7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

Excellent     Good     Fair     Deteriorated     Ruins     Unexposed

(Check One)

Altered     Unaltered

(Check One)

Moved     Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

All that remains of Malmaison, which was destroyed by fire in 1942, are the foundation and concrete steps [REDACTED] as well as a cistern, portions of a brick wall, and the cemetery, presently enclosed [REDACTED]

Originally constructed in 1854, the large two story house was designed along the lines of Italianate architecture. Two large hallways, forming a Greek cross, divided the house. The plan for the home was square, simple and conventional with a wing, which partially served as a large dining room, running off at the rear.

The elevations were graced by columned porches extending to the roof line. Elaborate wrought-iron balustraded balconies divided the superimposed doorways at the first and second floor hall terminals. The north and south porches had four square pillars; the east and west, two each. The roof was hipped and crowned by a double-deck cupola with a surrounding balustrade promenade.

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**SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian       16th Century       18th Century       20th Century  
 15th Century       17th Century       19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)      **1854-1942**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal          | <input type="checkbox"/> Education              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric         | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering            | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry               | <input type="checkbox"/> Science              |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture         | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention              | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture            |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture        | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature             | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater              |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce            | <input type="checkbox"/> Military               | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation       |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications      | <input type="checkbox"/> Music                  |   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation        |   |   |  |



STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Malmaison, constructed in 1854, was the home of Greenwood Leflore, the last chief of the Choctaws prior to their removal to the Indian Territory west of the Mississippi River.

Leflore, born June 3, 1800, was the son of Louis LeFleur, a French trader who operated a trading post on the Pearl River at the present site of Jackson, Mississippi. Leflore's mother, Rebecca Cravat, was a niece of the famed Choctaw chief, Pushmataha. In 1812, Leflore's family moved northward to a location on the Natchez Trace, which came to be known as French Camp. Here, Greenwood came in contact with Major John Donly, mail carrier between Nashville and Natchez, who became interested in the youngster and carried him to Nashville for schooling.

Leflore returned home; and, in 1830, was elected chief of the entire Choctaw nation. As chief, Leflore accomplished many reforms among his people. He abolished witchcraft and established schools, civil marriages, and trial by jury.

Greenwood Leflore played a prominent role in the negotiations for the Treaty of Dancing Rabbit Creek in 1830, which provided for the removal of the Choctaws to the west. Leflore urged his people to cede their lands to the United States government. He remained in Mississippi and eventually acquired approximately 15,000 acres of land. In 1854, he built Malmaison, which was designed by James Clark Harris, a young architect from Georgia, who later married one of Leflore's daughters. Leflore represented Carroll County in both houses of the Mississippi Legislature.

Leflore, who remained loyal to the Union throughout the Civil War, died in 1865, and Malmaison remained the home of his descendants until it burned in 1942.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

1. Claiborne, J. F. H., Mississippi, as a Province, Territory and State, with Biographical Notices of Eminent Citizens. (Jackson, Miss.: Power & Barksdale, 1880), 515-516.
2. Mississippi: A Guide to the Magnolia State. (New York: The Viking Press, 1938), 403-405.
3. Ray, Florence Rebecca, Chieftain Greenwood Leflore and the Choctaw Indians of the Mississippi Valley. (Memphis: C. A. Davis Co., 1936), 61-69.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
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SW	██████████	██████████				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **84 acres**

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:  
**Elbert Hilliard, Director, Div. of Historic Sites and Archaeology**  
ORGANIZATION

**Mississippi Department of Archives and History**  
STREET AND NUMBER:  
**120 North State Street**

CITY OR TOWN:  
**Jackson,**

STATE  
**Mississippi**

DATE  
**6/23/70**

CODE  
**23**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National  State  Local

Name *J. A. Mixson*

Title Director, Miss. Dept. of Archives and History

Date 6/23/70

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

*Ernest Allen Combs*  
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date AUG 25 1970

ATTEST:

*William J. Brantley*  
 Keeper of The National Register

Date JUL 31 1970

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