

Historic Sites Survey



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ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

1-story dogtrot with logs hewn on four sides, foundation of large fieldstones, brick chimneys with large fieldstone bases. Rooms added across rear (west) facade, roof altered (to hip roof) and structure weatherboarded circa mid-19th century. Center hall is still open between original 2 pens, but has been enclosed between added rear rooms.

ALTERATIONS:

Shed-roof room and porch added to rear facade's northwest corner.

OUTBUILDINGS:

Barns, chicken house, windmill, well.

LANDSCAPE FEATURES:

Set in forest clearing, large oaks in yard.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

The Boyd-Cothern House is architecturally significant as one of two pre-Civil War log dogtrots in Lawrence Co. The residence retains a high degree of integrity because of the unaltered interior rooms and the center hall which remains open.

Historically, it has remained within the same family for six generations since its construction, and the family possesses the original land patent granted for homesteading. It is also associated with the old Bogue Chitto-Holmsville Rd. which passed in front of the house (now the rear facade). Traces of the old road are still visible.

NAME: Boyd-Cothern House

STREET NO:

TOWN/VIC: Jayess *etc.*

COUNTY: Lawrence

BLOCK/LOT:

PRESENT OWNER: Elton Cothern
ADDRESS 313 Nebraska Ave.
PRESENT USE: McComb, MS 39648

FORMER USE:

DATE: ca. 1836

STYLE: dogtrot

ARCH/BUILDER: Simion and Adeline Boyd

SOURCE OF DATE: original land patent

ENVIRONMENT: rural

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE
NEIGHBORHOOD
LOCAL X
STATE
NATIONAL

PHOTOS

NEG. #

SITE OR AREA PLAN WITH NORTH ARROW AND SHAPE OF STRUCTURE:

CONTINUATION:

PHYSICAL CONDITION:

Fair

THREATS:

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:

S32-T5N-R10E

A lot 500' square with house at center .

ACREAGE: less than 5 acres

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Boyd-Cothern House (no. 11)

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