

HISTORIC RESOURCES OF STONE COUNTY
STONE COUNTY, ARKANSAS

ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM

Survey Number ST-192

Owner Mr. & Mrs. Lindell Farris

Property Name George Anderson House

Address Route 73

Location Big Springs

Big Springs Ranch

Significant Date/s c.1890

Mountain View, AR 72560

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

Located west of Big Springs in west Stone County, the c. 1890 George Anderson House is situated on a rise along the Panther Branch. Facing north, the dogtrot house's foundation consists of stack stone piers, while its full-length rear shed addition appears to rest on the ground. Although research has not substantiated exact date, it is believed the present house was built in two stages. The pens are built of rough hewn logs and locked together by saddle notching. A gable roof covers the pens and open hall. At a later date, the open hall was enclosed with weatherboard. A two-over-two double hung window is entered in the enclosure. The front full length porch is attached to the pens. Crude log posts support the porch's shed roof.

The principal facade of the west pen, which might be the older of the pens, displays a central door and is void of window openings. The pen's west elevation features an exterior hewn stone chimney on the gable end. Two small stationary window openings sit to either side of the chimney's firebox. Set in the weatherboard gable, another stationary window opening, with a batten door, appears on the north side of the chimney stack.

The principal facade of the latter built or east pen also features a central door, but with a four-over-four double-hung window placed on the east side of the entry. The pen's east elevation also includes an exterior hewn stone chimney on its gable end. A four-over-four double-hung window appears adjacent the chimney's firebox on its south side. As situated in the west gable, a small stationary window opening is placed to the north side of the chimney stack.

The ancillary structures on the property are not contemporary or significant, to the house.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Built c. 1890, the George Anderson House is the last nineteenth century log house found in Stone County. Located in the western part of the county, the log dogtrot house is built on a slope above Panther Creek with the rear shed resting on the ground and the front porch elevated on stone piers. It is believed the house was constructed in two stages. Not found on the east pen, evidence of small stationary window openings on the west pen suggest it is the oldest of the pens. No significant log houses were built after the c. 1890 construction of the Anderson House in Stone County.

Verbal Boundary Description: The nominated property, located within the N $\frac{1}{2}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of S32, R12W, T15N, is bounded on the north, south, west and east by lines running parallel to and 50' from the four major facades of the house.

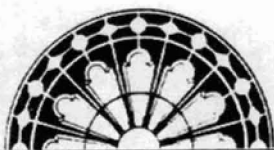
Acreage: less than 1
Quadrangle Name: Onia

Quadrangle Scale: 1:24000

UTM Reference:
Zone: 15

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Northing: 3973000



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George Anderson House, ST-192
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Don Brown, photographer
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Viewed from the northwest



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