

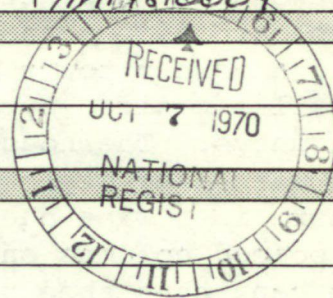
Form 10-300  
(July 1969)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: <b>TEXAS</b>	
COUNTY: <b>Gonzales</b>	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER <b>71.1.48.0001</b>	DATE <b>1/25/71</b>



<b>1. NAME</b>	
COMMON: <b>Kennard House</b>	
AND/OR HISTORIC:	

<b>2. LOCATION</b>			
STREET AND NUMBER: <b>621 St. Louis Street</b>			
CITY OR TOWN: <b>Gonzales</b>			
STATE <b>Texas</b>	CODE <b>78629</b>	COUNTY: <b>Gonzales</b>	CODE <b>177</b>

<b>3. CLASSIFICATION</b>			
CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input 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 checked="" 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

<b>4. OWNER OF PROPERTY</b>			
OWNER'S NAME: <b>Julius A. Baysch</b>			
STREET AND NUMBER: <b>Box 252</b>			
CITY OR TOWN: <b>Kingsland, (78639)</b>	STATE: <b>Texas</b>	CODE <b>048</b>	

<b>5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION</b>			
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: <b>Gonzales City Hall</b>			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
CITY OR TOWN: <b>Gonzales</b>	STATE: <b>Texas</b>	CODE <b>048</b>	

<b>6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS</b>			
TITLE OF SURVEY: <b>Texas State Historical Survey</b>			
DATE OF SURVEY: <b>1967</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local			
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: <b>Texas State Historical Survey Committee</b>			
STREET AND NUMBER: <b>108 W. 15th Street</b>			
CITY OR TOWN: <b>Austin</b>	STATE: <b>Texas</b>	CODE <b>048</b>	

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

STATE: <b>Texas</b>	COUNTY: <b>Gonzales</b>	ENTRY NUMBER <b>71.1.48.0001</b>	DATE <b>1/25/71</b>
------------------------	----------------------------	-------------------------------------	------------------------

FOR NPS USE ONLY



## 7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

A two-story-and-attic frame Victorian residence with shingle and clapboard siding and with a high pitched hip roof with gabled ells and a corner tower with an open arcade at the third story and a tall six-sided pyramidal roof. There are two tall Queen Anne chimneys. The house is one of the few remaining examples of the Queen Anne style in Texas.

There is a wide one-story wrap-around veranda with slender, widely spaced columns on raised bases, a balustrade, and a wide cornice beneath a shed roof. Superimposed over this veranda is a two-and-a-half-story gallery with the gable forming a pediment with a Palladian-derived stained glass window and mosaic filling the remainder of the tympanum. The first level of the porch is composed of two shingled arches with layered shingles forming the archivolt, each bisected by strange tall contrasting key-stones. The second level is more open, with three sets of paired columns and a balustrade. The transom and side lights of the front door repeat the arch of the porch.

The tower is at the front corner and has mosaic panels above the second-story windows. All the windows are the one-over-one pane sash type. A gabled side ell has an oval window flanked by louvered panels and also paved with mosaic siding.



SEE INSTRUCTIONS



# 8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- |  |                                       |  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century            | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century  | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century |                                       |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1895

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

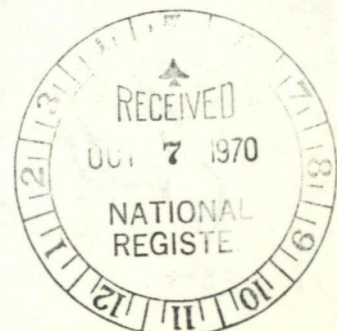
- |  |   |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal              | <input type="checkbox"/> Education              | <input type="checkbox"/> Political           | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric             | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering            | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic                | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry               | <input type="checkbox"/> Science             |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture             | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention              | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture           |  |
| <input checked="" 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

The Kennard House in Gonzales, Texas, is a fine late Victorian residence, a late manifestation of the Queen Anne style, and one of the few of its type now remaining in the state. The residence has been carefully restored and is unusual in that its gables are covered with mosaic of bright glass and pottery chips. There is a two-story central portico with shingled Romanesque arches at the first level and an open colonnaded gallery at the second. The pediment has a slightly Palladian window and mosaic siding. A tall and bold tower with shingled Romanesque arcaded beveledere stands on one side of the porch with a wrap-around porch on the other side. The whole exterior is painted green. The windows are of French beveled glass and Tiffany leaded glass and the floors are inlaid wood.

The house was built by Mr. and Mrs. James Blake Kennard in 1895, and became a Recorded Texas Historic Landmark in 1967. James Kennard was from a pioneer family in Navasota, Texas. In the early 1890s, he married Anna Braches, member of one of the first families to settle in Gonzales County, and granddaughter of Charles Braches, member of the State Legislature. A member of the family remembers that Kennard was a lumberman. He had friends throughout the country, and when they heard he was building a home, "they began sending him select pieces of wood from all over the United States, to be used in his new home..." The house was purchased and restored by Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bausch recently.

Recorded Texas Historic Landmark - 1967.



SEE INSTRUCTIONS



# 9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Gonzales, Texas Centennial Committee. Gonzales. Gonzales, 1935.

Rather, Ethel Zivley. "DeWitt's Colony," Bulletin of the University of-Texas, III, li:56-152. Jan. 15, 1905.

Texas State Historical Survey Committee marker files.

Alexander, D. B. Texas Homes of the Nineteenth Century. University of Texas Press, Austin, 1966.

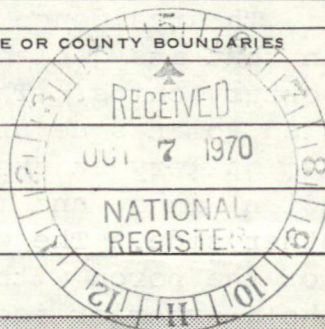
# 10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	0 0 0	0 0 0		29°	30'	05"
NE	0 0 0	0 0 0		97°	26'	55"
SE	0 0 0	0 0 0				
SW	0 0 0	0 0 0				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 0.5 acre

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE



SEE INSTRUCTIONS

# 11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Wayne Bell, Project Director,  
Roxanne Williamson, Architectural Historian (SB)

ORGANIZATION: Texas State Historical Survey Committee DATE: 9-25-70

STREET AND NUMBER: 108 W. 15th Street

CITY OR TOWN: Austin STATE: Texas CODE: 048

# 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

Title State Liaison Officer

Date

10-7-70

# NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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

*Ernest A. Connally*  
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

JAN 25 1971

Date

ATTEST:

*William J. Montoya*  
Keeper of The National Register

Date

NOV 27 1970



71000937  
Gonzales

Kennard House Texas

10/9/70

71.1.48.0001 1/25/71

3/5/71

10/12/70

✓  
✓  
✓  
✓  
✓  
✓  
2  
1

OK 5. Marcusin  
11/10/70  
Levy  
OK 11/16/70

OK Chambers  
11-13-90

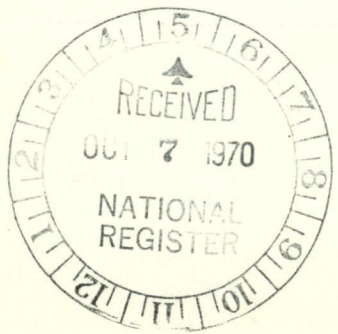
OK Wm  
11/27

OK 1-25-71  
OK 11/19/70  
CD

4/6/71

1/25/71  
1/25/71

10-9-70-1









NPS Number 71-1-48-0001

Title: Bernard House

Loc. Gonzales Co. Tex  
Front elevation

①

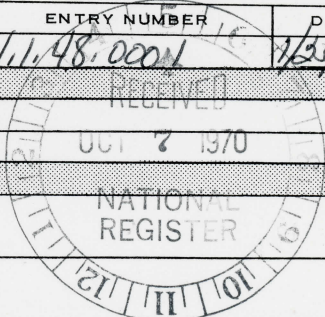
PROPERTY OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER



SEE INSTRUCTIONS

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICENATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with photograph)

STATE		TEXAS			
COUNTY		Gonzales			
FOR NPS USE ONLY					
ENTRY NUMBER		DATE			
9/11/48-0001		12/7/71			
					
				1. NAME	
				COMMON: Kennard House	
				AND/OR HISTORIC:	
2. LOCATION					
STREET AND NUMBER:					
621 St. Louis Street					
CITY OR TOWN:					
Gonzales					
STATE:		CODE	COUNTY:		
Texas		048	Gonzales		
3. PHOTO REFERENCE		CODE			
PHOTO CREDIT: Texas State Historical Survey Committee		177			
DATE OF PHOTO: April, 1970					
NEGATIVE FILED AT: Texas State Historical Survey Committee					
108 W. 15th Street, Austin, Texas 78711					
4. IDENTIFICATION					
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.					
Front elevation, from the southwest					





NPS Number 71-1-48-0001

Title: Kennard House

Loc. Gonzales Co., Texas  
Side elevations

(2)

PROPERTY OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER



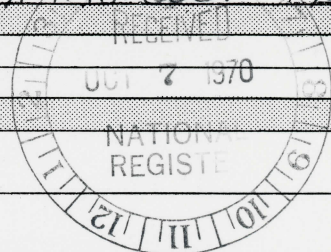
SEE INSTRUCTIONS

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICENATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with photograph)

STATE TEXAS	
COUNTY Gonzales	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER 71A-98.0001	DATE 1/25/71

1. NAME			
COMMON:		Kennard House	
AND/OR HISTORIC:			
2. LOCATION			
STREET AND NUMBER: 621 St. Louis Street			
CITY OR TOWN: Gonzales			
STATE: Texas		CODE 048	COUNTY: Gonzales
			CODE 177
3. PHOTO REFERENCE			
PHOTO CREDIT: Texas State Historical Survey Committee			
DATE OF PHOTO: April, 1970			
NEGATIVE FILED AT: Texas State Historical Survey Committee 108 W. 15th Street, Austin, Texas 78711			
4. IDENTIFICATION			
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.  Side elevation, from the southeast			





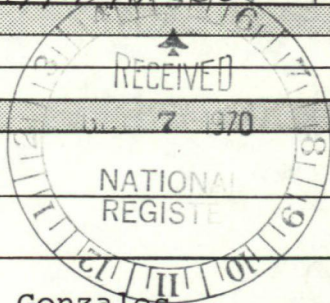
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

PROPERTY MAP FORM

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with map)

STATE	
TEXAS	
COUNTY	
Gonzales	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
71-148-0001	1/25/71



1. NAME

COMMON: Kennard House  
AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: 621 St. Louis Street  
CITY OR TOWN: Gonzales

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
Texas	048	Gonzales	177

3. MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE: United States Department of the Interior Geological Survey  
SCALE: 1:24000  
DATE: 1962

4. REQUIREMENTS

TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. Property boundaries where required.
2. North arrow.
3. Latitude and longitude reference.

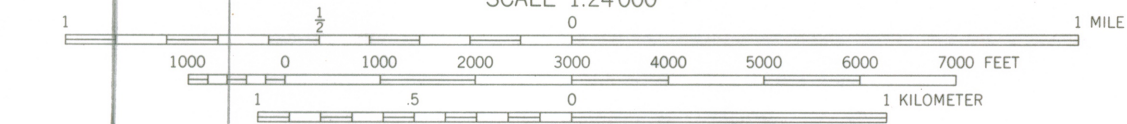
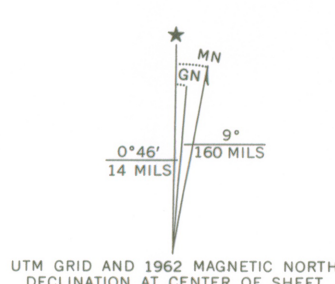
Texas Map Reference #2997-422

SEE INSTRUCTIONS



KENNARD HOUSE  
1621 ST. LEWIS  
CONZALES, TEXAS

14648360  
3264840  
Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey  
Control by USGS and USC&GS  
Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial  
photographs taken 1962. Field checked 1962  
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum  
10,000 foot grid based on Texas coordinate system, south central zone  
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,  
zone 14, shown in blue  
Red tint indicates area in which only landmark buildings are shown  
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence lines



CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET  
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS  
FOR SALE BY U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, DENVER, COLORADO 80225, OR WASHINGTON, D. C. 20242  
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST



ROAD CLASSIFICATION  
Heavy-duty ——— Light-duty ———  
Medium-duty ——— Unimproved dirt ———  
U.S. Route ——— State Route ———

CONZALES NORTH, TEX.  
N2930-W9722.5

2997-422  
AMS 6543 III SW-SERIES V 882



Kennard Hoose  
Gonzales Tx

57 Marusin  
1/6/71

H30-HR

JAN 25 1971

Mr. Truett Latimer  
Executive Director  
Texas State Historical Survey Committee  
Post Office Box 12276  
Capitol Station  
Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Mr. Latimer:

We are pleased to inform you that the historic properties listed on the enclosure have been placed on the National Register of Historic Places. Senators Lloyd Bentsen and John G. Tower and the appropriate Representatives have also been notified. A leaflet explaining the National Register is enclosed for each of the property owners. Please withhold any publicity on this until you have received a carbon copy of the Congressional correspondence.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)

Ernest Allen Connally  
Chief, Office of Archeology  
and Historic Preservation

Enclosures

Entered in the National Register JAN 25 1971

cc:

HR

1/5/71

SMarusin:naf

BASIC FILE RETAINED IN HR



Properties added to the National Register of Historic Places

TEXAS

The Kennard House  
The Allen-Bell House  
The Lay-Bozka House

Gonzales County, Texas  
Bastrop County, Texas  
Lavaca County, Texas



830-HR

FEB 2 1971

Hon. Abraham Kazen, Jr.  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kazen:

We are pleased to inform you that the historic properties listed on the enclosure have been nominated by the State Liaison Officer appointed by the Governor for the implementation of the National Historic Preservation Program in Texas and have been entered into the National Register of Historic Places. Senators Lloyd Bentsen and John G. Tower have also been provided with this information. By copy of this letter, the State Liaison Officer, Mr. Truett Latimer, Executive Director, Texas State Historical Survey Committee, Post Office Box 12276, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711, has likewise been notified. A leaflet explaining the National Register is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

Joe Holt

Assistant Director

Enclosures

Entered in the National Register

JAN 25 1971

cc: Mr. Truett Latimer, Executive Director, Texas State Historical Survey  
Committee, Post Office Box 12276, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711  
Director, Southwest Region

LL: Mr. Melvin

T

HR

1/5/71

SMarusin:naf

BASIC FILE RETAINED IN HR



Properties added to the National Register of Historic Places

TEXAS

The Kennard House  
The Lay-Bozka House

Gonzales County, Texas  
Lavaca County, Texas



H30-BR

FEB 2 1971

Hon. Lloyd Bentsen  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Bentsen:

We are pleased to inform you that the historic properties listed on the enclosure have been nominated by the State Liaison Officer appointed by the Governor for the implementation of the National Historic Preservation Program in Texas and have been entered into the National Register of Historic Places. Senator John G. Tower and the appropriate Representatives have also been provided with this information. By copy of this letter, the State Liaison Officer, Mr. Truett Latimer, Executive Director, Texas State Historical Survey Committee, Post Office Box 12276, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711, has likewise been notified. A leaflet explaining the National Register is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

Joe Holt

Assistant Director

Enclosures

Entered in the National Register JAN 25 1971

cc: Mr. Truett Latimer, Executive Director, Texas State Historical Survey  
Committee, Post Office Box 12276, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711

Duplicate letter sent to: Hon. John G. Tower  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C.

BASIC FILE RETAINED IN HR

SMarusin:naf

1/5/71

cc: Director, Southwest Region

LL: Mr. Melvin

T

HR



Properties added to the National Register of Historic Places

TEXAS

The Kennard House  
The Allen-Bell House  
The Lay-Boska House

Gonzales County, Texas  
Bastrop County, Texas  
Lavaca County, Texas





**Texas State Historical Survey Committee**

Box 12276, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711

Truett Latimer

Executive Director

February 23, 1971

Dr. William Murtagh  
Keeper of the National Register  
801 19th Street, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20006

Dear Dr. Murtagh:

We have two corrections and an addendum for the form submitted for the Kennard House, Gonzales County (048-177) and placed on the Register January 25, 1971.

The new address for the owner is:

Julius A. Bauch (not Bausch)  
Box 252  
Kingsland, Texas 78639

Also, please add to the bibliography:

Alexander, D.B. Texas Homes of the Nineteenth Century. University of Texas Press, Austin. 1966.

Thank you for making these changes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Suzanne B. Duncan".

Suzanne B. Duncan

FEB 25 1971

STATE AGENCY FOR HISTORICAL RECORDATION, APPRECIATION, MARKING, PRESERVATION, AND SURVEYS (RAMPS)

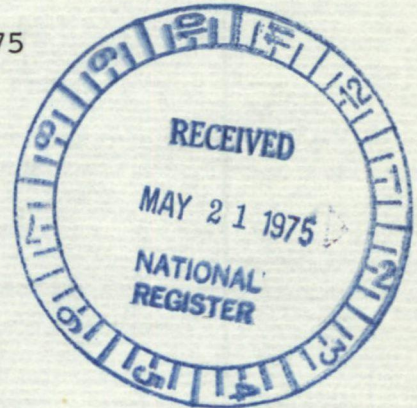


Texas Historical Commission  
Box 12276, Capitol Station  
Austin, Texas 78711  
Truett Latimer  
Executive Director

*Ready for filing  
w/prop*

May 14, 1975

Publications Dept.  
National Register of  
Historic Places  
Dept. of the Interior  
National Park Service  
18th & C Streets, N.W.  
Washington, D. C. 20240



To Whom It May Concern:

Due to evidence uncovered since submitting nomination forms for the Kennard House in Gonzales County and the Sam Rayburn House in Fannin County, certain information provided for the National Register is inaccurate and should be corrected as follows:

For the Kennard House in Gonzales, the location of legal description should be Gonzales County Clerk's office, 414 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Tx, and not "Gonzales City Hall".

Also under item 8, Statement of Significance, the second paragraph states that James Blake Kennard married "Ann Braches", which is incorrect. James B. Kennard married Anna Jones, daughter of Hartwell K. Jones and Mary Braches.

On the nomination form for the Sam Rayburn House, Bonham, Fannin County, we have received proof that the house was built in 1916 and not ca. 1904, as was stated on the form sent to your office. Attached is a xerox copy of portions of a letter written by Mr. Rayburn which has only recently become available.

Thank you for your cooperation in correcting these nomination forms.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe R. Williams".

Joe R. Williams, Director  
National Register Programs  
for Texas

JRW/pbs  
Encls.