

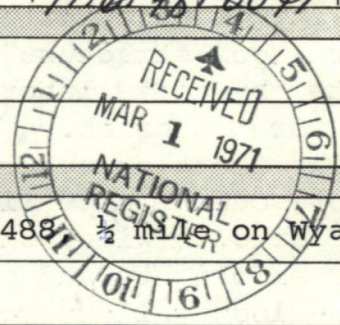
Form 10-300
(July 1969)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	Texas	
COUNTY:	Waller	
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71648-0041	6/31/71	



1. NAME

COMMON:
Liendo ~~Plantation~~

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
2 miles northeast of Hempstead off FM 1488 1/2 mile on Wyatt Chapel Road

CITY OR TOWN:
Hempstead

STATE: Texas CODE: 048 COUNTY: Waller CODE: 473

3. CLASSIFICATION

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"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	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"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious		
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Carl Detering

STREET AND NUMBER:
3028 Washington Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Houston STATE: Texas CODE: 048

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:
Waller County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Hempstead STATE: Texas CODE: 048

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Historic American Buildings Survey

DATE OF SURVEY: 1933 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Library of Congress

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Washington STATE: DC CODE: 008

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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

Liendo Plantation is a late Greek Revival, two-story frame structure built by Leonard W. Groce in 1853. The sixteen-room structure on a raised brick basement was constructed by slave labor utilizing the red clay from the Brazos River for the brick.

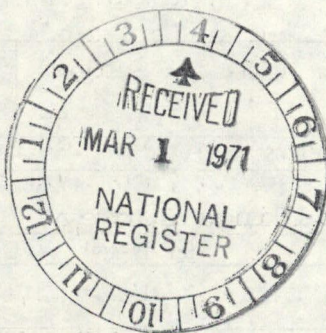
The frame structure has a five-bay composition on its main or south facade with two six-over-six light windows on each side of a wide, single entrance door. The entrance has narrow sidelights and a transom. The doorway opening onto the second-floor gallery repeats this scheme. A two-story, double pedimented gallery extends across the center three bays of the facade. The portico is supported by four square wooden columns with inset panels. The portico and the main block of the house have a well-proportioned but simply-detailed entablature and box cornice. A lunette in the pediment of the portico contains a star and the date "1853."

The exterior of the structure is sheathed in clapboarding. On the interior, the floors and ceilings are tongue and groove yellow pine. The ceiling of the drawing room was hand painted in a design of roses and morning glories. The same design is carried out in the frieze. The interior walls are finished in plaster. The wainscoating of the dining room and the second-floor bedrooms reached six feet above the floors. Fireplaces within the end walls are located in the four principal rooms on the south elevation. A two-story frame kitchen and service ell extends from the west side of the rear or north elevation.

The house is in excellent condition and has undergone extensive restoration in recent years by the present owners.

Projecting

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Austin, Texas 048

Texas State Historical Survey
1965 State
Texas State Historical Survey Committee
108 W. 15th Street
Austin, Texas 048



8. SIGNIFICANCE

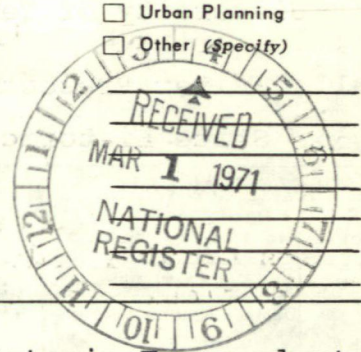
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SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1853

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Liendo, among the most famous and historic Texas plantations, was established in 1830 and from 1873 until the first decade of the twentieth century it was the home of Dr. Edmund Montgomery and Elizabeth Ney. The history of the property and its residents as outlined below is taken substantially from the Handbook of Texas.

In 1830 José Justo Liendo gave Thomas F. McKinney power of attorney to locate ten of the eleven leagues of land Liendo had purchased from the Mexican government two years before. McKinney located five of the ten leagues in what is now Waller County, where the remarkable shape of the tract still stands out on maps, since the survey was run to include only entirely vacant land.

In 1841, McKinney, still acting for the owner, sold Leonard W. Groce that part of Liendo survey which lay north and west of Pond Creek, "3000 acres, more or less," for \$1,500. Groce increased his holdings through the years and in 1860 paid \$1,200 for the remainder of the five leagues which had not been sold.

Groce's residence on the plantation, which he named Liendo, was built by slave labor and completed in 1853. The frame structure in the late Greek Revival style contains two stories above a raised basement. A "bachelors' hall" on the grounds was equipped to house guests.

A convenient stopping place between the Houston-Galveston area and Austin, Liendo had a stream of guests which included the prominent of its day. Revenues of the plantation, which was operated with about three hundred slaves, have been estimated to have been as high as 80,000 to 100,00 dollars in a productive year.

During the Civil War, Camp Groce was established at Liendo, where cavalry, artillery and infantry were recruited. Converted to a prisoner of war camp, it housed troops captured at the Battle of Galveston. From September 11 to December 1, 1865, the plantation was the camping place of General G. A.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

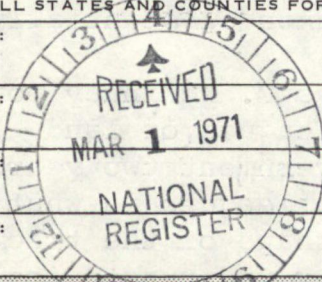
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **9 acres (to protect house)**

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: **Wayne Bell, Project Director**
Gary Hume, Architectural Historian

ORGANIZATION: **Texas State Historical Survey Committee** DATE: **2-18-71**

STREET AND NUMBER: **108 W. 15th Street**

CITY OR TOWN: **Austin** STATE: **Texas** CODE: **048**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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 *Wayne Bell*

Title State Liaison Officer

Date 2-23-71

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

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

JUN 21 1971

Date _____

ATTEST:

William Montague
Keeper of The National Register

MAY 12 1971

Date _____

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Custer and his command.

In 1866, Groce sold the white elephant Liendo had become but had to take it back the next year. In 1873, Leonard W. Groce, Jr., sold Elizabeth Ney and Edmund Montgomery 1100 acres, "the homestead tract of the late Leonard W. Groce, Sr." for \$10,000.

Edmund Duncan Montgomery, born in Edinburgh, Scotland in 1835, early in life resolved to solve the philosophical problems of life and mind by the experimental method. After studying medicine in Heidelberg, Berlin, Bonn and Würzburg, he received an M. D. degree and later practiced medicine in London and on the European Continent.

In 1863, he retired to Madeira because of a tubercular infection. There his lover, Elizabeth Ney, followed him and they were in the British consulate in November, 1863. Henceforth she generally live with Dr. Montgomery, but she would not admit the marriage and continued to call herself Miss Ney.

Miss Ney, a beautiful, talented and self-willed sculptress, had been born in Germany in 1833. By the late 1850s, her talent and charm had established an international reputation and she had made busts or statues of such prominent figures as Schopenhauer, Alexander von Humbolt, George V, King of Hanover, Bismark, King William I of Prussia, Ludwig II of Bavaria and Garibaldi.

In 1870, Elizabeth Ney became involved in political difficulties and she and Montgomery fled from Germany to America. They first tried a farm near Thomasville, Georgia, and two years later, on March 4, 1873, they purchased Liendo Plantation in Texas.

Montgomery devoted the remainder of his life to scientific research, philosophical reflection, farming and ranching, and striving to raise the cultural level of the community. His first five years were devoted exclusively to the microscopic examination of the simplest forms of life; the next fifteen to the formulation, exposition, and defense of his scientific and philosophical views, based on his research. His essays written during this period, were published in the leading scientific and philosophical journals of America, England, and Germany.

Miss Ney, however, found it impossible to continue her work as a sculptress. There was no stimulation and no appreciation. For nineteen years she found her chief interest in rearing her children and in uplifting the neighborhood Negroes. In neither undertaking did she meet with success; in addition her strange

ways made her something of a curiosity in the neighborhood. Eventually, however, she was able to establish herself as a

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sculptress and secured the commission from the State of Texas to execute statues of Stephen F. Austin and Sam Houston for the Texas Exhibit at the World's Fair in 1893. These two statues now stand in the Capitol at Austin and represent Texas in the Capitol at Washington. This commission led to her moving to Austin where she built a studio. While Dr. Montgomery continued to live at Liendo, Miss Ney spent most of her time in Austin, with periodic visits to Liendo.

Once established as a sculptress in Texas, Miss Ney received many other commissions, notable among which were a recumbent statue of General Albert Sidney Johnston and her Lady Macbeth walking in her sleep.

Elizabet Ney died on June 29, 1907, and was buried at Liendo Plantation. In 1909 Dr. Montgomery deeded Liendo to Theodore Law, reserving for himself a life interest and right of occupancy. The same year Law sold to W.P. Graves, who in 1910 sold the property to George W. Harris of South Dakota. Dr. Montgomery stayed at Liendo until his death April 17, 1911, and was buried there. In 1943, Mrs. Laura B. Harris, widow of George W. Harris, sold her property to Miss Willene Compton. The property continued as the Compton home until 1957. In 1960, the property was purchased by the present owners, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Detering. Mr. and Mrs. Detering have completely restored the property.

Recorded Texas Historic Landmark - 1965



Liendo Plantation

Waller
71000970
STATE TEX

RECEIPT PROPERTY REGISTER NUMBER

DATE OF RECEIPT 3/1/71 YES NO NUMBER 3 REGISTER NUMBER 71.6.48.0041 6/21/71

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MAP DESCRIPTION (S) 1

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ACKNOWLEDGE 3/2/71

RESUBMIT _____

REVIEW OK 3/18/71
Denise @ Osburn
3/15/71

HISTORIAN Is the term Plantation proper for a house?
OK Leroy
4/14/71

ARCHAEOLOGIST OK 3-Maxwell
4/8/71

ARCHITECT Agree that house should be called Liendo, not Liendo Plantation,
as they are only nominating 2 acres, specifically to protect the house. Chambers
OK 4-15-71

ASST. KEEPER _____

KEEPER OK ym
5/12/71

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CHIEF, OAHF OK
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EDITORIAL PROCESSING, EDITOR Perhaps it should be called Liendo
Plantation to indicate that the house
plus land is recognized.* OK
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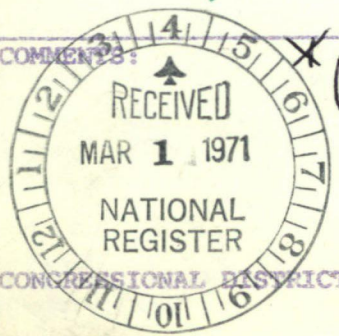
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COMMENTS: Called Wayne Bell following staff conference
on 4/22/71 - he has no objection to renaming
property "Liendo", which
#6 Rep. League staff agreed on in
conference.





NPS Number 71.6.48.0041

Title: Liendo Plantation

Loc. Waller Co., Texas
South elevation

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SE corner

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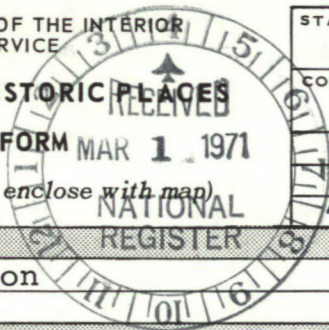
West elevation

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PROPERTY MAP FORM

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1. NAME

COMMON: Liendo Plantation
AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
2 miles northeast of town off FM 1488, 1/2 mile on Wyatt Chapel Road

CITY OR TOWN:
Hempstead

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
Texas	048	Waller	473

3. MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE:
United States Department of the Interior Geological Survey

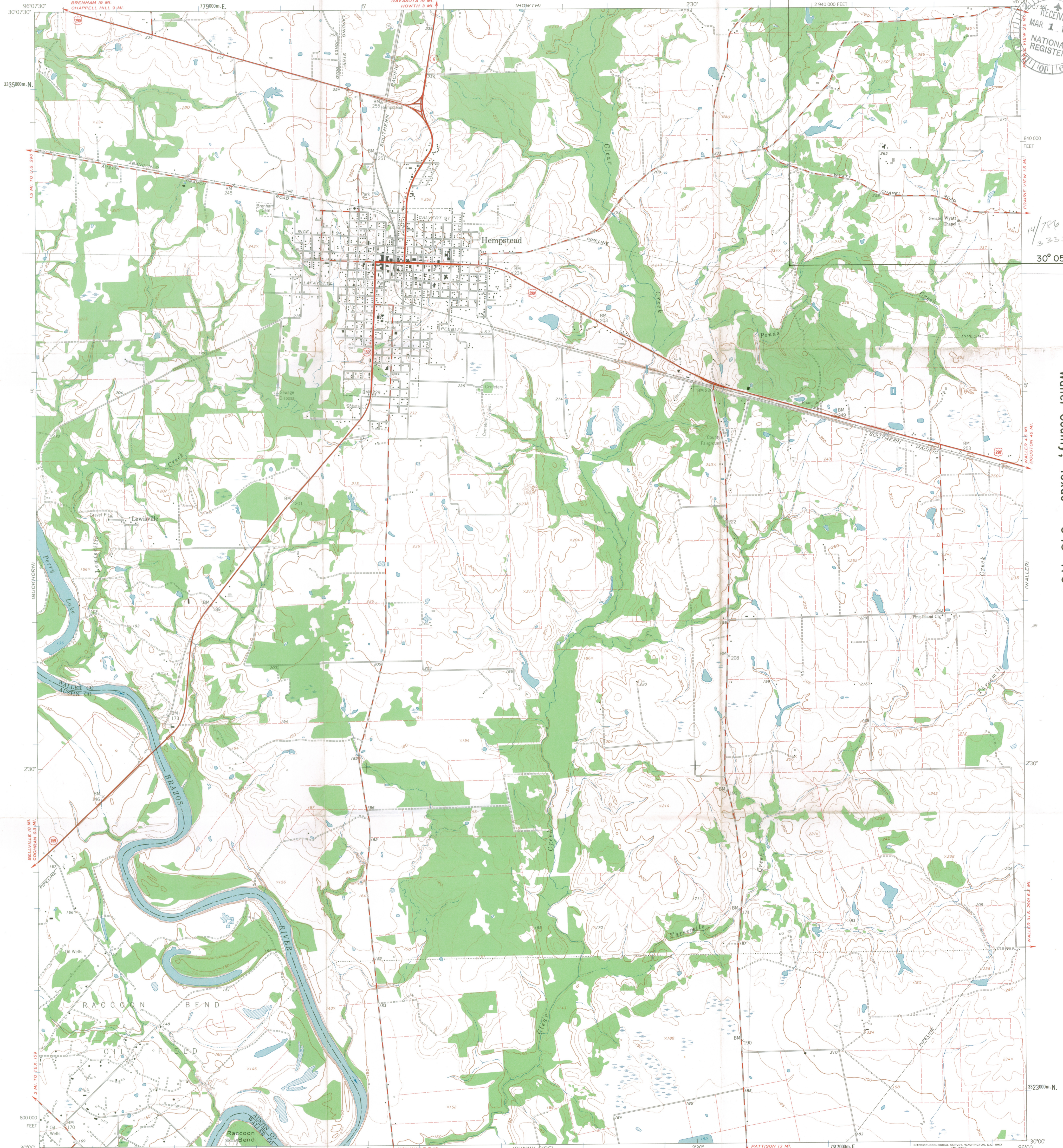
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- TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS
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 3. Latitude and longitude reference.

Texas Map Reference #3096-111

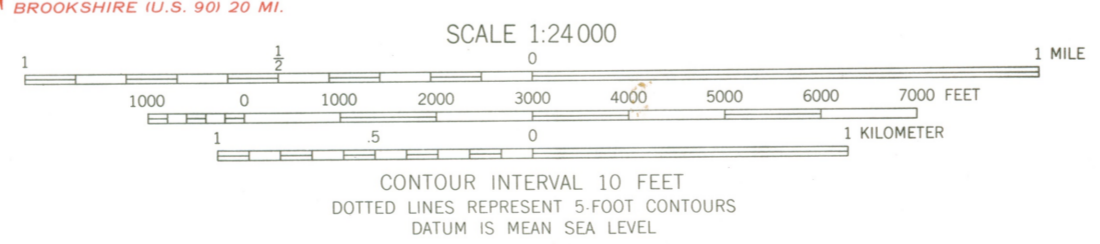


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Liendo Plantation
2 miles East of Hempstead
Waller County, Texas 048-473

Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS and USC&GS
Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial
photographs taken 1960. Field checked 1961
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
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked

TRUE NORTH
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APPROXIMATE MEAN
DECLINATION, 1961



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty	Light-duty
Medium-duty	Unimproved dirt

U.S. Route State Route

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HEMPSTEAD, TEX.
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1961

JUN 22 1971

H30-HR

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,

(Signed)

Director

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

Also notified: United States Senate	House of Representatives
Hon. John G. Tower	Hon. John Young
	Hon. J. J. (Jake) Pickle
	Hon. Omar Burlison
	Hon. George H. Mahon
	Hon. John Dowdy

cc: Director, Southwest Region
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House of Representatives
Hon. Olin E. Teague
Rep. W. R. Poage

Properties added to the National Register of Historic Places

TEXAS

T. H. Mathis House	Aransas County, Rockport, Texas
Levi Rockshelter	Travis County, Austin, Texas
Paint Rock Indian Pictograph Site	Concho County, Paint Rock, Texas
Lubbock Lake Site	Lubbock County, Lubbock, Texas
Old Nacogdoches University Building	Nacogdoches County, Nacogdoches, Texas
Westerman Mound	Houston County, Kennard, Texas
Hill County Courthouse	Hill County, Hillsboro, Texas
Ezekiel Cullen House	San Augustine County, San Augustine, Texas
"Liendo"	Waller County, Hempstead, Texas
Lampasas County Courthouse	Lampasas County, Lampasas, Texas
Parker County Courthouse	Parker County, Weatherford, Texas

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H30-HR

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 John G. Tower and Lloyd Bentsen and the appropriate Representatives are being informed. 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)

Director

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