

**United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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date entered **OCT 10 1979**

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Southern Hotel

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 201 West Main Street ___ not for publication

city, town Llano ___ vicinity of congressional district 21

state Texas code 048 county Llano code 229

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: vacant

4. Owner of Property

name Henry C. Buttery, Jr.

street & number 1301 Flag Street

city, town Llano ___ vicinity of state Texas, 78643

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Office of the County Clerk, Llano County Courthouse

street & number Public Square

city, town Llano state Texas, 78643

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title None has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date ___ federal ___ state ___ county ___ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

Rectangular in plan, the Southern Hotel rises three stories beneath a hipped, mansard roof. The walls are constructed of two foot thick rubble stone with a stucco finish on the exterior of the first and second floors. These walls are pierced with irregularly spaced door and window openings, spanned with wooden lintels. The shuttered window openings were originally fitted with four-over-four sashes that have been replaced with one-over-one sashes. The third floor is defined by a wooden-shingled mansard roof pierced with three dormer windows on each facade. The dormers are fitted with four-over-four sashes and surmounted with triangular pediments. The structure was originally topped with a standing seam metal roof pierced with two chimneys; the roof is now covered with wooden shingles. Two sides of the building were originally skirted with a two story, colonnaded veranda. The veranda was enhanced with jigsaw decoration incorporated in the joinery of the columns and beams and also in the balustrades spanning the columns on both floors.

Each floor contains a central hall space with stairs providing circulation through the building. On each floor three rooms are defined on either side of the hall; the first floor rooms served public needs while the second and third floor rooms were allocated for boarding. The interior spaces are virtually intact and remain in good condition. Floors and ceilings are wood and the hallways feature a low wooden wainscot. Although the load bearing masonry walls are finished with plaster, many partitions are of wood frame construction with boards or lath and plaster nailed to the studs. Original wallpaper applied to these partitions remains in some areas. Back-to-back fireplaces were incorporated on the first two floors. The mantles and trim have been removed from all but one ground floor fireplace which retains its ornamental woodwork.

At an unknown date an addition, which has since been removed, was made to the west facade of the building. Today a modern lumber yard, recently constructed by the owner of the hotel, is attached to this facade. The lumber yard is set farther back from the street than the hotel. Although it is now vacant, the hotel is structurally sound with metal grills protecting the first and second floor openings. The owner, who recently replaced the shingled roof, is interested in preserving the architectural integrity of the structure, although no specific plans have been made at this time.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates 1881 **Builder/Architect** Unknown

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Southern Hotel is a fine and rare example of a provincial interpretation of the Second Empire style, popular in Texas during the 1870's and 1880's. In addition, the hotel has served the community of Llano first as a stagestop, and later as a hotel and boarding house. For many decades it served as a social center as well. Architecturally sound, the hotel remains as one of the few surviving structures of the Second Empire style found within the state.

The county seat of Llano County was settled in 1855 and became quite a prosperous town during a mining boom in the 1880's. Early Llano residents J.K. Finlay and John Goodman had the Southern Hotel constructed in 1881. Located near the public square, the hotel provided businessmen and travellers convenient access to the commercial district of the community. In addition to housing rooms for boarding on the second and third floors, the ground floor offered space for meetings of various organizations. As late as the 1950's the Llano Lions Club was meeting in the building. Although the two story veranda has been removed from the vacant structure, the remaining architectural fabric is intact.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Robinson, Willard B.; Texas Public Buildings of the Nineteenth Century, Austin: University of Texas Press, 1974.

Webb, Walter Prescott; The Handbook of Texas, Vol. II, Austin, Texas State Historical Association, 1952, p. 69.

10. Geographical Data

Acree of nominated property less than one

Quadrangle name Llano, North, Texas

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UMT References

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Verbal boundary description and justification Northwest corner of Main and Berry Streets. Boundaries coincide with the wall on the west and north sides, extending to West Main and Berry Streets, respectively. The nominated property on the south and east sides extends to include the apron between the building and the streets.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code

state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Willard B. Robinson, Professor of Architecture

organization Texas Tech University date July 31, 1979

street & number P.O. Box 4140 telephone 806-742-2789

city or town Lubbock state Texas, 79409

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

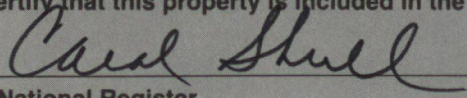
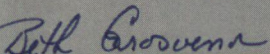
The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation 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 Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature 

title State Historic Preservation Officer date August 7, 1979

For HCRS use only	
I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register	
	date <u>10-10-79</u>
Keeper of the National Register	
Attest: 	date <u>10/9/79</u>
Chief of Registration	

Property

Southern Hotel

State

Ill. (L. Lane)

Working Number

8.8.79.1912

TECHNICAL

Photos

3

Maps

1

CONTROL

OK pl 8.8.79

HISTORIAN

accept

*Grosvener
10/9/79*

Fairly intact example of vernacular hotel w/ Second Empire and Eastlake (veranda - now gone) elements. Rare survivor of this in TX. Served as hotel for travellers and meeting place for local social organizations. The present owner is interested in restoring it.

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

*Call for boundary info,
then accept*

KO'C 10/3/79

Rare example of mansard public building in Texas. Retains some original detailing; owner wishes to preserve. Needs more exact verbal boundary description.

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

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Inventory _____

Review _____

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

accept

Grosvener

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

National Register Write-up _____

11-6-79

Send-back _____

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Federal Register Entry



Southern Hotel

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OCT 10 1979

201 West Main Street

Llano, Llano County, Texas

Photo: Courtesy Willard B. Robinson, 1978

Historic Photograph, Unknown Date
Southeast Oblique

Photo # 143

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201 West Main Street

Llano, Llano County, Texas

Photo: Courtesy Willard B. Robinson, 1978

Southeast Oblique

Photo # 243

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Southern Hotel

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201 West Main Street

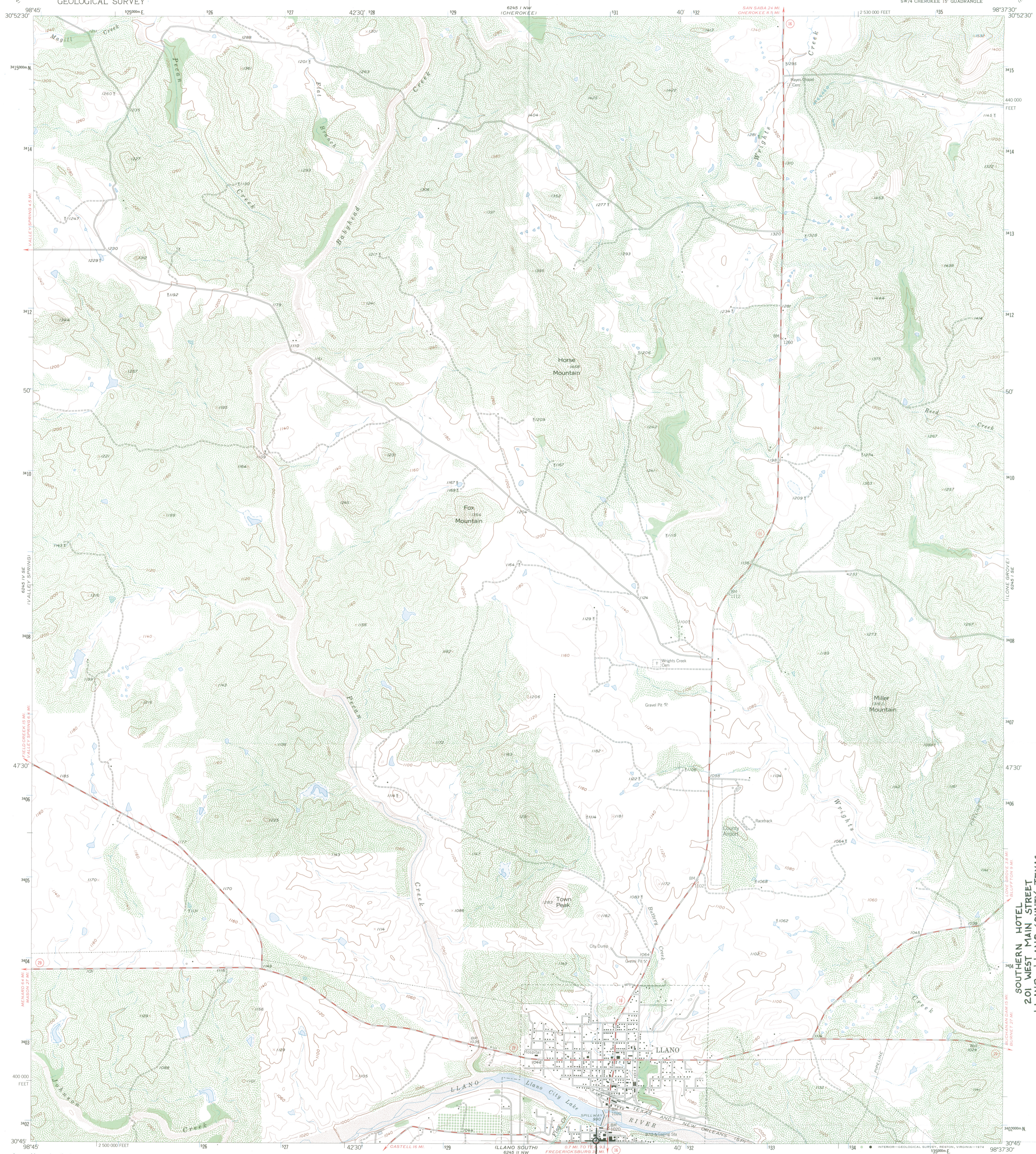
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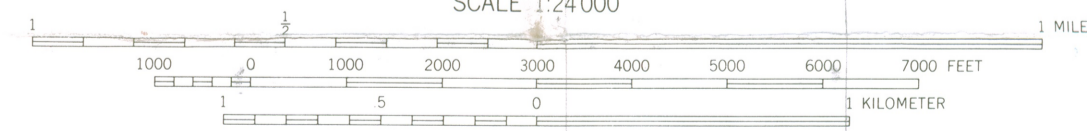
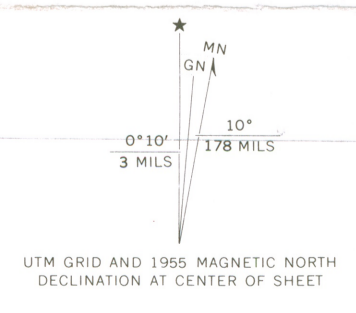
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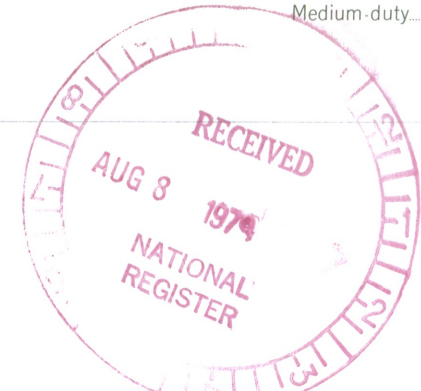
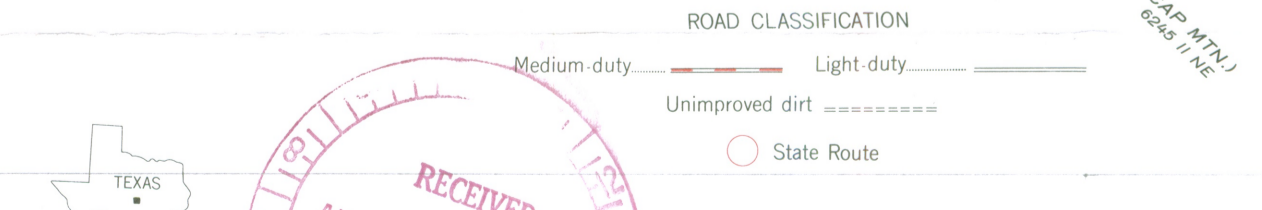


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Topography from aerial photographs by ER-55 plotter
Aerial photographs taken 1955. Field check 1955
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Texas coordinate system,
central zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 14, shown in blue



CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL

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LLANO NORTH, TEX.
SW 1/4 CHEROKEE 15 QUADRANGLE
N 3045—W 9837.5/7.5
1955
AMS 6245 1 SW—SERIES V 882

JUN 7 1974

3098-342

SOUTHERN HOTEL
201 WEST MAIN STREET
LLANO, LLANO COUNTY, TEXAS
UTM REFERENCE: 14T530895/3401791

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ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

TEXAS

STATE

OCT 10 1979

Date Entered

Name

Location

Southern Hotel

Llano
Llano County

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Honorable John G. Tower
Honorable Tom Loeffler

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