

**United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service**

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

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TEXAS HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY FORM—TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION (rev.8-82)

1. County DEWITT DEW
CU 5. USGS Quad No. 2997-121 Site No. 364
City/Rural CUERO UTM Sector 666-3219
2. Name CRAIN, W.H., HOUSE 6. Date: Factual 1889 Est. _____
Address 508 E COURTHOUSE 7. Architect/Builder _____ Contractor Huck, H.J. & Co.
3. Owner Joan Harvey 8. Style/Type _____
Address P.O. Box 322 Cuero TX 77954 9. Original Use residential
4. Block/Lot DTS/Blk 21/ Lots 4,5,6 Present Use vacant
10. Description 2-story frame dwelling w/ side-passage plan; exterior walls w/ weather-board siding; hip roof w/ wood shingles; wood-sash double-hung windows w/ 2/2 lights; single-door primary entrance w/ transom and sidelights; 4-bay, 2-story inset porch that is L shaped on S. and E. elev.; box columns w/ molded caps;
11. Present Condition good to fair
12. Significance ARCHITECTURE: Prominent local lawyer W.H. Crain erected this house in 1889. He served as district attorney of the 23rd Judicial Court while a resident of Indianola. He moved to Cuero after the 1886 storm and was elected
13. Relationship to Site: Moved Date _____ or Original Site *(describe) in a residential area northeast of the CBD; property includes much of the block.
14. Bibliography Tax Rolls, Sanborn Maps 15. Informant _____
A History of Dewitt County, pg. 124. 16. Recorder Hardy-Heck-Moore Date July 1986

DESIGNATIONS

PHOTO DATA

TNRIS No. _____ Old THC Code _____
 RTHL HABS (no.) TEX _____
NR: Individual Historic District
 Thematic Multiple-Resource
NR File Name Cuero M-R Nomination
Other _____

B&W 4x5s _____ Slides 5
35mm Negs

YEAR	DRWR	ROLL	FRME		ROLL	FRME
		21	24	to		
		63	6	to	63	11
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Description continued: square-wood balusters; interior brick chimney at center; segmentally arched transom and door surround at ground-floor entrance; similarly detailed rectangular surround at second story; lateral ell w/ twin hip roofs.

Significance continued: to the U.S. House of Representatives, serving until his death in 1896. Despite its present condition, the house remains a rare example of a side-passage dwelling w/ Greek Revival details. It stayed in the Crain family until recently.

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Cuero MRA
State DeWitt County, TEXAS

Nomination/Type of Review	Date/Signature
11. City Water Works <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u><i>for</i> Melores Byrum 10/31/88</u> Attest _____
12. Clement-Nagel House Substantive Review	Keeper <u><i>Carol Shull 10-31-88</i></u> Attest _____
13. Colston-Gohmert House <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u><i>for</i> Melores Byrum 10/31/88</u> Attest _____
14. Cook, Charles, House Substantive Review	Keeper <u><i>Carol Shull 10-31-88</i></u> Attest _____
15. Crain, W.H., House <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u><i>for</i> Melores Byrum 10/31/88</u> Attest _____
16. Cuero Commercial Historic District Substantive Review	Keeper <u><i>Carol Shull 11-17-88</i></u> Attest _____
17. Cuero Gin <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u><i>Melores Byrum 10/31/88</i></u> Attest _____
18. Cuero High School Substantive Review	Keeper <u><i>Carol Shull 10-31-88</i></u> Attest _____
19. East Main Street Residential Historic District <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u><i>for</i> Melores Byrum 10/31/88</u> Attest _____
20. Daule, E.A., House Substantive Review	Keeper _____ Attest <u><i>Carol Shull 10-31-88</i></u>

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Crain, W. H., House

MULTIPLE NAME: Cuero MRA

STATE & COUNTY: TEXAS, De Witt

DATE RECEIVED: 9/16/88 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 9/27/88
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 10/13/88 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 10/31/88
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 88001953

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 10/31/88 DATE

Entered in the
National Register

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA _____
REVIEWER _____
DISCIPLINE _____
DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

count resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

historic current

DESCRIPTION

architectural classification
 materials
 descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

summary paragraph
 completeness
 clarity
 applicable criteria
 justification of areas checked
 relating significance to the resource
 context
 relationship of integrity to significance
 justification of exception
 other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

acreage verbal boundary description
 UTM's boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps USGS maps photographs presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



"Historic Resources of Cuero, Texas" Multiple-
Resource Nomination; city limits of Cuero,
DeWitt County, Texas.

Photo: David Moore of Hardy-Heck-Moore, Inc.
1986; negative with Texas Historical
Commission, Austin, Texas.

Subject: W.H. Crain House, Site No. 364
508 E. Courthouse

View: Camera looking northwest

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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000839