

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC Stetson, John B. House

AND/OR COMMON  
"Gillen"

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER  
1031 Camphor Lane  
CITY, TOWN DeLand VICINITY OF 4th  
STATE Florida CODE 12 COUNTY Volusia CODE 127 ✓  
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<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 type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Marino ✓  
STREET & NUMBER 1031 Camphor Lane  
CITY, TOWN DeLand VICINITY OF STATE Florida 32720

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Volusia County Courthouse  
STREET & NUMBER  
CITY, TOWN DeLand STATE Florida

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE  
DATE  
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS  
CITY, TOWN STATE  
FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

# 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

The John B. Stetson House is basically a three-story, L-shaped building with a low pitched hipped roof. There are, however, varied projections on the North and South elevations. Because a second wing was to be attached to the west elevation only a temporary porch was constructed. The East elevation is unremarkable except for contiguous outbuildings located at the Northeast corner. The present roofing material is asbestos, replacing the original wood shingles. It is understood that the current light yellow walls, green trim and red roof duplicated the originals.

The ridge of the roof is interrupted by two large brick chimneys while a third rises on the exterior at the Northeast corner of the house and is functional for both the wing and main house. The rafters are exposed around the entire cornice with the exception of the center of the South facade where the pediment of a balcony is superimposed.

The wall covering of the entire structure is composed of wood shingles of a variety of designs, including rectangular, semicircular, and imbricated.

The main as well as subsidiary entries are all located on the first floor of the North elevation. All three are located beneath second floor projections. Also on the North facade are two stairways expressed on the exterior by sets of triple windows following the line of the ascending stairs. At the second floor level there are two shed roof projections. The smaller with a large sash window houses a bathroom while the larger expresses a second floor hall with six paired casements surmounted by stationary sash. The third floor windows which illuminate the servants rooms are diminished.

The most notable feature of the South facade is the first floor composition of a blind ogee arcade. The spandrel of the center and eastern arches is filled by the shingled pendant of a second floor oriel (in plan a semi-octagon). On the third floor, above the oriel, is a narrow projecting balcony with turned balustrade and three heavy posts. The posts, with swirled fluting, bear cushion capitals which support the shingled pediment. Shorter versions of these posts and capitals, placed in pairs, support a solid balustrade. There is a conical roof on the circular tower on the southwest corner of the building. On the Southeast corner, a semi-octagonal projection of only one story carries a pyramidal roof.

The window treatment reflects the variety of the facades. There are leaded and stained glass windows with semi-circular-headed, circular, truncated oval and double-hung sash, and casement windows, many of which have label moldings terminating in wood bosses.

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Within the recessed arcade with ogee voussoirs are highly decorative shingles. Also between the second and third floors of the South and East facades is a plain belt course which visually distinguishes the family quarters from the servant quarters.

On the interior are carved wood mantels with tiled fascia. The main stairhall is wainscotted and separated from the first floor rooms by a divider composed of panelled wood wainscoting and pierced wood dado.

The grounds of "Gillen" originally included 300 acres. Presently less than 3 acres remain. Within the three acres, however, is a building once used as a schoolhouse, parts of the Stetson garden, now overgrown, and an alligator pit. The latter was built by Stetson to provide entertainment for his visiting Philadelphia friends.



## 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Bowen, Olga. Typescript essays on John B. Stetson, DeLand, and Stetson Home.

Caruso, Mike. "Windows on the Past: The John B. Stetson House." Daytona Beach News Journal, June 24, 1973.  
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## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 2

UTM REFERENCES

A 

1	7	4	68	5	00	32	1	03	8	0
ZONE		EASTING			NORTHING					

B 

ZONE		EASTING			NORTHING						

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

All of that property described as Lot 13, Block Q, Stetson Home Estates.

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

Elizabeth B. Monroe, Historic Sites Specialist 1/30/78

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Division of Archives, History and Records Management (904) 487-2333

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

Department of State, The Capitol, Tallahassee, Florida

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

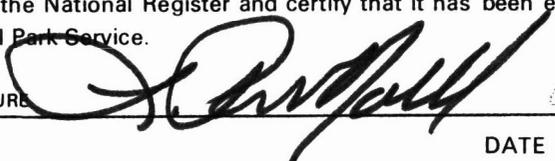
## 12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

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 National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE



6/27/78

TITLE

DATE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER



DATE 11-21-78

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST: Jann H. Gilmore  
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE 11/17/78

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Hockaday, Alyce. "Stetson Mansion Still Work of Art," DeLand (Fla) Sun News, June 7-8, 1975.

Padden, Ann. "Company 'As Old as America' to Restore Victorian Stetson House," DeLand (Fla) Sun News, n.d.

Philadelphia Chapter of the American Institute of Architects.  
Biography and History of George T. Pearson.

Property

Stetson, John B., House

State

Florida

Working Number

7.10.78.3579

78000957

TECHNICAL

Photos 5

Maps 1

*Signature*  
*W. H. H. H.*

CONTROL

OK 2.11.78

HISTORIAN

ACCEPT

*Joe Jones*  
11-16-78

Stetson was one of many rich northerners who wintered in Florida & contributed to its early development but his contributions thru land grants & funding to DeLand's university is perhaps more lasting and positive than his ~~other~~ contemporaries?

NO arch. statement of significance.

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

~~Accept~~  
*Braunam*  
9.6.78

This residence maintains strong associations with the clothing manufacturer and would in my opinion be eligible regardless of architectural significance.

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

HAER

Inventory \_\_\_\_\_

Review \_\_\_\_\_

Architectural significance justification weak  
But accept for educational Association.

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

JANN H. Gilmore  
11/17/78

ACCEPT

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

*Approved*  
11/21/78

National Register Write-up \_\_\_\_\_

Send-back \_\_\_\_\_

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Federal Register Entry 2-6-79

Re-submit \_\_\_\_\_

INT:2106-74



1. Stetson, John B., House
2. DeLand, Florida
3. Phil Werndli
4. January, 1976
5. Division of Archives, History and  
Records Management
6. South facade
7. Photo #1

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#38
1. Stetson, John B., House
  2. DeLand, Florida
  3. Phil Werndli
  4. January, 1976
  5. Division of Archives, History and Records  
Management
  6. North facade
  7. Photo #2

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1. Stetson, John B., House
2. DeLand, Florida
3. Phil Werndli
4. January, 1976
5. Division of Archives, History and Records Management
6. Stained Glass in Stairhall
7. Photo #3

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1. Stetson, John B., House
2. DeLand, Florida
3. Phil Werndli
4. January, 1976
5. Division of Archives, History and Records Management
6. Stairhall
7. Photo #4

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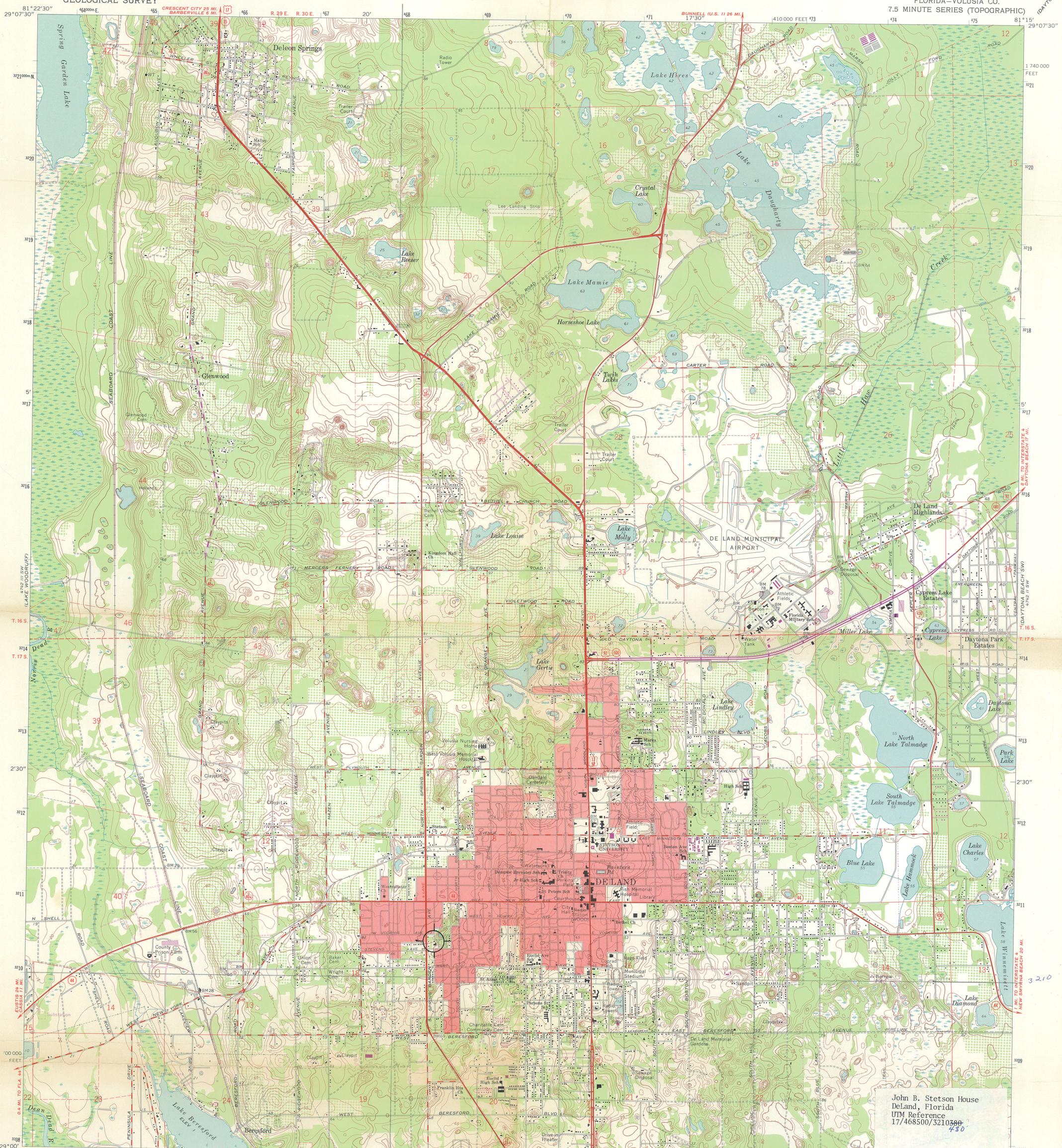
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5. Division of Archives, History and Records Management
6. Fireplace
7. Photo #5

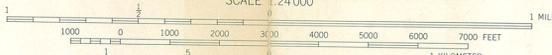
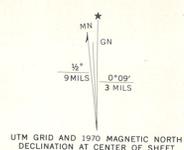
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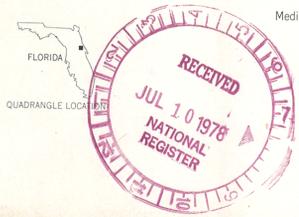
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De Land, Florida  
UTM Reference  
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Control by USGS, USC&GS, and Florida Geodetic Survey  
Planimetry by photogrammetric methods from aerial photographs  
taken 1957. Topography by planetable surveys 1952 and 1964  
Selected hydrographic data compiled from USC&GS Chart 688 (1959)  
This information is not intended for navigational purposes  
Polyconic projection, 1927 North American datum  
10,000-foot grid based on Florida coordinate system, east zone  
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,  
zone 17, shown in blue  
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where  
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked  
Red tint indicates area in which only landmark buildings are shown  
Revisions shown in purple compiled from aerial photographs  
taken 1970. This information not field checked



CONTOUR INTERVAL 5 FEET  
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL  
SOUNDINGS IN FEET—DA'UM IS MEAN LOW WATER  
SHORELINE SHOWN REPRESENTS THE APPROXIMATE LINE OF MEAN HIGH WATER  
THE MEAN RANGE OF TIDE IS APPROXIMATELY 1 FOOT

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS  
FOR SALE BY U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, 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 ———

DE LAND, FLA.  
N2900—W8115/7.5

1964  
PHOTOREVISED 1970  
AMS 4742 III SE—SERIES 8747

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE FLORIDA

Date Entered NOV 21 1978

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Palmer House	Monticello Jefferson County
Stetson, John B., House	DeLand Volusia County
Payne's Creek Massacre - Fort Chokonikla Site	Hardee County

Also Notified

Honorable Richard (Dick) Stone  
Honorable Lawton Chiles  
Honorable Don Fuqua  
Honorable William V. Chappell, Jr.  
Honorable Andrew P. Ireland

State Historic Preservation Officer  
Mr. W. Robert Williams  
Deputy Secretary of State  
The Capitol  
Tallahassee, Florida 32304

# NATIONAL REGISTER DATA SHEET

① NAME as it appears on federal register: Stetson, John B., House  
 ② OTHER NAMES: Gillen  
 ③ date of entry: NOV 21 1978  
 ④ county code: 127

⑤ LOCATION street & number: 1031 Camphor Lane  
 city / town: DeLand  
 vicinity of:  
 state: FL  
 county: Volusia  
 ⑥ NPS REGION: SE

⑦ OWNER  PRIVATE  STATE  MUNICIPAL  COUNTY  MULTIPLE  FEDERAL (agency name)  
 ⑧ ADMINISTRATOR:

⑨ EXISTING SURVEYS  HABS  HAER  NHL  
 ⑩ FUNDED?  YES  NO  
 ⑪ CONGRESS. DISTRICT: 4th  
 ⑫ SOURCE OF NOMINATION:  STATE  FEDERAL

⑬ WITHIN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT?  YES, NAME:  NO  
 ⑭ WITHIN NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK?  YES, NAME:  NO  
 ⑮ ACREAGE:  
 if state who prepared form? Elizabeth B. Monroe  
 LOCAL  PRIVATE ORGANIZATION

⑯ CONDITION:  excellent  good  fair  deteriorated  ruins  unexposed  unexcavated  altered  unaltered  reconstructed  excavated  original site  moved  unknown

⑰ features:  
 INTERIOR:  SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-1  NOT INTACT-0  UNKNOWN-4  NOT APPLICABLE-7  
 EXTERIOR:  SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-2  NOT INTACT-0  UNKNOWN-5  NOT APPLICABLE-8  
 ENVIRONS:  SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-3  NOT INTACT-0  UNKNOWN-6  NOT APPLICABLE-9

⑱ ACCESS:  YES - Restricted  YES - Unrestricted  No Access  Unknown  
 ⑲ ADAPTIVE USE:  YES  NO  
 ⑳ SAVED?  YES  
 IS PROPERTY A HISTORIC DISTRICT?  yes  no

㉑ AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE:  
 ARCHEOLOGY - prehistoric-2  
 ARCHEOLOGY - historic-1  
 AGRICULTURE -3  
 ARCHITECTURE -4  
 ART -5  
 COMMERCE -6  
 COMMUNICATIONS -7  
 CONSERVATION -8  
 ECONOMICS -9  
 EDUCATION -10  
 ENGINEERING -11  
 ENTERTAINMENT -26  
 EXPLORATION -12  
 HEALTH -27  
 INDUSTRY -13  
 INVENTION -14  
 LANDSCAPE ARCH. -15  
 LAW -16  
 LITERATURE -17  
 MILITARY -18  
 MUSIC -19  
 PHILOSOPHY -20  
 POLITICS / GOVT. -21  
 RELIGION -22  
 SCIENCE -23  
 SOCIAL / HUMANITARIAN -24  
 SOCIAL / CULTURAL -30  
 TRANSPORTATION -25  
 RECREATION -28  
 SETTLEMENT -29  
 URBAN PLANNING -31  
 OTHER (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

㉒ CLAIMS: explain  
 'first'   
 'oldest'   
 'only'

㉓ functions: WHEN HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT: CURRENTLY:  
 ㉔ dates of initial construction: major alterations: historic events:  
 ㉕ ETHNIC GROUP ASSOCIATION:

㉖ architectural style(s):  
 ㉗ architect:  
 ㉘ master builder:  
 ㉙ engineer:

㉚ landscape architect / garden designer:  
 ㉛ interior decorator:  
 ㉜ artist:  
 ㉝ artisan:  
 ㉞ builder / contractor:

㉟ NAMES give role & date  
 PERSONAL:  
 EVENTS:  
 INSTITUTIONAL:

㊱ NATIONAL REGISTER WRITE-UP