

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: North Carolina	
COUNTY: Alleghany	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
	JAN 20 1972

1. NAME

COMMON:

Brinegar Cabin

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:

At mile 238.5, Blue Ridge Parkway

CITY OR TOWN:

Whitehead vicinity (the Hon. Wilmer D. Mizell, Fifth Congressional District)

STATE

North Carolina

CODE

37

COUNTY:

Alleghany

CODE

005

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"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: National Park Service	
STREET AND NUMBER: United States Department of the Interior, 18th and C streets, N. W.	
CITY OR TOWN: Washington	STATE: D. C.
	CODE 11

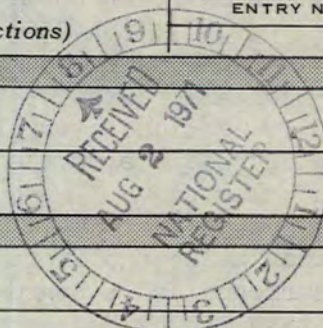
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Alleghany County Courthouse	
STREET AND NUMBER:	
CITY OR TOWN: Sparta	STATE: North Carolina
	CODE 37

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: Historic American Buildings Survey	
DATE OF SURVEY: 1959	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Library of Congress	
STREET AND NUMBER: East Capitol and Independence Avenue, S. E.	
CITY OR TOWN: Washington	STATE: D. C.
	CODE 11

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

☒ Excellent ☐ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Deteriorated ☐ Ruins ☐ Unexposed

(Check One)

☐ Altered ☒ Unaltered

(Check One)

☐ Moved ☒ Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Brinegar Cabin is typical of the small farm dwellings built throughout the mountain region of North Carolina during the past two hundred years. It is a one-story log house covered with lapped siding and resting on an uncoursed fieldstone foundation. The gable roof retains early wooden shingles.

The only opening on the front (east) facade is a central entrance with a plain heavy surround and a board-and-batten door. The interior is lighted by one tiny window beside the large stone chimney on the south end and a slightly larger window containing six-over-two sash on the north wall. A rectangular louvered vent with crude horizontal bars located near the apex of the north gable ventilates the attic.

On the rear of the cabin is a shed addition with a smaller stone chimney on the south side. The addition has a central exterior door on the rear (west) facade similar in design to the main entrance. Flanking the door are windows containing four-over-two sash.

The interior consists of two rooms, one in the main block and one in the shed addition. Both are finished with horizontally sheathed walls and low exposed-beam ceilings. The mantels, which may be replacements, are quite simple with heavy shelves supported by large brackets. The unfinished attic is reached by a ladder rising on the rear wall in the main room.

Located to the northwest of the house is a frame outbuilding covered with lapped siding and protected by a gable roof. Beneath the building is a full stone basement entered through a board-and-batten door on the south side. This basement probably served as a dairy.



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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

☐ Pre-Columbian

☐ 16th Century

☐ 18th Century

☐ 20th Century

☐ 15th Century

☐ 17th Century

☒ 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal

☐ Education

☐ Political

☐ Urban Planning

☐ Prehistoric

☐ Engineering

☐ Religion/Phi-

☐ Other (Specify)

☐ Historic

☐ Industry

losophy

☐ Agriculture

☐ Invention

☐ Science

☒ Architecture

☐ Landscape

☐ Sculpture

☐ Art

Architecture

☐ Social/Human-

☐ Commerce

☐ Literature

itarian

☐ Communications

☐ Military

☐ Theater

☐ Conservation

☐ Music

☐ Transportation

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

About 1880 Martin Brinegar and his young bride, the former Caroline Joines, settled on their newly purchased farm. The site of their homestead was a tract at an elevation of 3,500 feet in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Alleghany County. It took Martin five years to complete the cabin and several outbuildings that stood nearby. It is said that except for the placing of the heavy logs of the cabin, he did all of the work himself. In addition to farming Martin worked as a cobbler. He attended and was clerk of the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church.

Following the death of Martin Brinegar in 1925, his widow lived in the cabin for a decade, after which it was purchased by the state of North Carolina. The state later donated the property to the federal government, and it became a part of the lands comprising the Blue Ridge Parkway. Currently the Brinegar Cabin houses a display of mountain crafts and weaving. The cabin is notable as an unusually well-preserved example of a type of construction that was used not only by the early settlers in the eighteenth century but also by settlers of more remote regions in later times.



SEE INSTRUCTIONS

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Alleghany County Records, Alleghany County Courthouse, Sparta, North Carolina, Office of the Register of Deeds. (Subgroups: Deeds, Wills).

Alleghany County Records, State Department of Archives and History, Raleigh, North Carolina. (Subgroups: Deeds, Wills).

Lord, William G. The Blue Ridge Parkway Guide. Asheville, North Carolina: The Stephens Press, Inc., 1961.

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		
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SE	0 0 0	0 0 0				
SW	0 0 0	0 0 0				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

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:

Survey and Planning Unit, John B. Wells, III, Supervisor

ORGANIZATION

State Department of Archives and History

DATE

28 July 1971

STREET AND NUMBER:

109 East Jones Street

CITY OR TOWN:

Raleigh

STATE

North Carolina

CODE

37

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

H. G. Jones

Title

Director, State Department of Archives and History

Date

28 July 1971

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

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

JAN 20 1972

Date

ATTEST:

W. Bradford
Keeper of The National Register

Date

January 14, 1972

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

NO
UTM
CD

Alleghany

72000922

RECEIPT

PROPERTY

Brinegar Cabin

STATE

N.C.

REGISTER NUMBER

DATE OF RECEIPT

8/2/71

YES

NO

NUMBER

DATA PAGE

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PHOTO (S)

✓

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MAP (S)

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MAP DESCRIPTION (S)

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ACKNOWLEDGE

8/2/71

RESUBMIT

G. Tech.



JAN 20 1972

REVIEW

This is a N.P.S. property. Means 9/29/71

OK means 12/10/71

HISTORIAN

OK Van Zee 12/9/71

ARCHEOLOGIST

OK 5th Museum 10/14/71

ARCHITECT

OK Chambers 11-1-71

ASST. KEEPER

OK H. H. W. 1/14/72

KEEPER

ENTRY

CHIEF, OAHP

File 1-20

EDITORIAL PROCESSING, EDITOR

HABS, 1959

Date

Federal Register Entry

3/7/72

Annual Edition Entry

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1/30/72

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1/30/72

WORKING NUMBER

8.2.71.3

COMMENTS:

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:

5th



NEGATIVE NUMBER N.71.6 — 605

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PHOTO DATE 6-15-71

SUBJECT BRINEGAR LOG CABIN Doughton
Park (Blue Ridge Parkway)

Wilkes Co., N.C.

Alleghany

NPS Number 1/20/72

Title: Brinegar Cabin

Loc. Alleghany Co., N.C. ①
Interior

STATE DEPARTMENT OF
ARCHIVES AND HISTORY
RALEIGH, N. C.

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TONY VAUGHN

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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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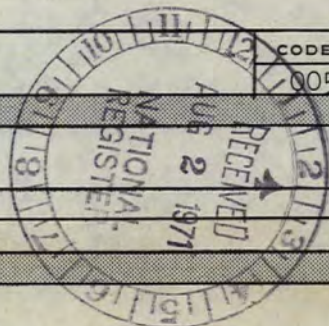
PROPERTY MAP FORM

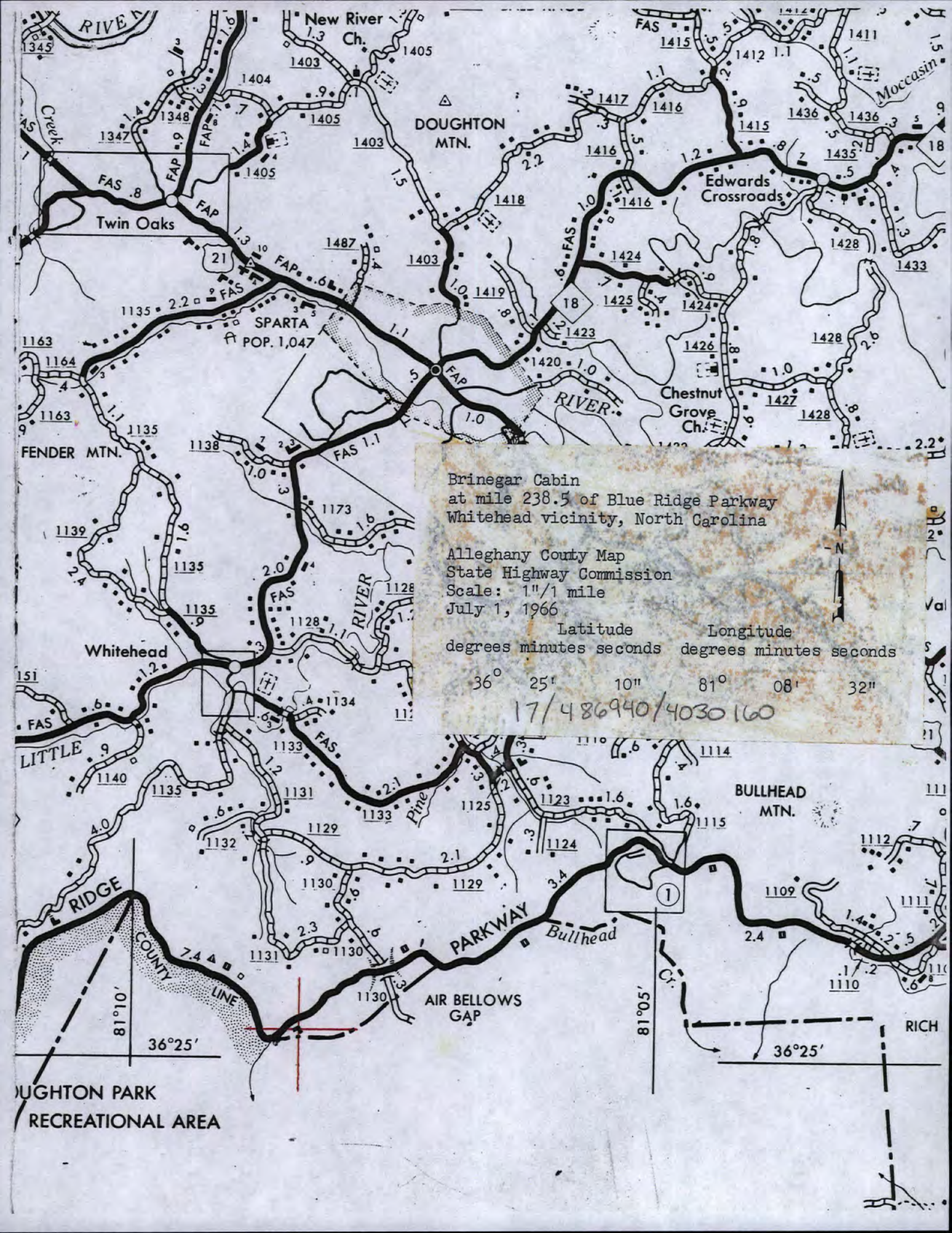
(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with map)

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Whitehead vicinity			
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
North Carolina	37	Alleghany	005
3. MAP REFERENCE			
SOURCE:			
Alleghany County Map, State Highway Commission			
SCALE: 1"/1 mile			
DATE: July 1, 1966			
4. REQUIREMENTS			
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS			
1. Property boundaries where required.			
2. North arrow.			
3. Latitude and longitude reference.			





Brinegar Cabin
at mile 238.5 of Blue Ridge Parkway
Whitehead vicinity, North Carolina

Alleghany County Map
State Highway Commission
Scale: 1"=1 mile
July 1, 1966

Latitude Longitude
degrees minutes seconds degrees minutes seconds

36° 25' 10" 81° 08' 32"

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DOUGHTON PARK
RECREATIONAL AREA

Missing Core Documentation

Property Name
Brinegar Cabin

County, State
Alleghany,
North Carolina

Reference Number
72000922

The following Core Documentation is missing from this entry:

☐ Nomination Form

☐ Photographs

☒ USGS Map

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE

NORTH CAROLINA

Date Entered JAN 20 1972

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Hack-Andrews House	Raleigh Wake County
Skeen's Mill Covered Bridge	Tabernacle Township Randolph County
Grace Episcopal Church	Trenton Jones County
Old Town Plantation	Battleboro Edgecombe County
Central Elementary School	New Bern Craven County
Myers-White House	Bethel Township Perquimans County
Mast Farm	Valle Crucis vicinity Watauga County
Andrews-Duncan House	Falsigh Wake County
Brinegar Cabin	Whitehead vicinity Alleghany County

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Hon. Nick Galiafianakis
Hon. Walter B. Jones
Hon. L. H. Fountain
Hon. James T. Broynhill
Hon. Wilmer D. Mizell

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HR

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1/20/72

Ed
7/14

Attumwa, Iowa
July 5, 1975

National Park Service
Interiors Bld.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir,

In a Nov. 3, 1973 magazine called
The Rural Letter Carrier; Volume LXXII No. 41
Washington, D. C. ; a picture on the cover
called a Historic Land mark in Blue
Ridge mts., N. Carolina "Brinegar Cabin
built in 1880."

According to our genealogy this could
be a decendent of our family. Could
you give me any history or tell me
where I could write in the state of
N. Carolina to get information?

Inclosed is a stamped self addressed
envelope. Thank you for any help.

Mrs L. H. Brinegar
1024 Richmond Ave.
Attumwa, Iowa, 52501

E. Smith 7-30-75
W. R. Luce
7/30/75
J. H. M.
7.31.75

AUG 1 1975

Calligraphy by
N.C.

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Mrs. Ira G. Brinegar
1024 Richmond Avenue
Ottumwa, Iowa 52501

Dear Mrs. Brinegar:

Thank you for your letter concerning the Brinegar Cabin, Whitehead, North Carolina.

We are enclosing a copy of the nomination form for the Brinegar Cabin. The nomination deals only briefly with the history of Martin Brinegar and his family, but more information may be available from the State. We suggest you write the North Carolina State Historic Preservation Officer, Dr. Larry E. Tise, Director, Division of Archives and History, Department of Cultural Resources, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, North Carolina 27611, to see if his office has additional information about the cabin.

We hope this information will be helpful to you. We will be happy to answer any further questions.

Sincerely yours,

(Sgd.) William J. Murtagh

William J. Murtagh
Keeper of the National Register

Enclosure

cc: Dr. Larry E. Tise SHPO North Carolina w/c inc.
bcc: Regional Director, Southeast Region w/c inc.
Director's Reading File
DI
PR-w/c inc.

FNP: E Smith:fd 7-29-75

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