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Indian Caves, Fortifications - DeKalb Co. - Alpine

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INDIAN CAVES AND FORTIFICATIONS
DK. Co. Site #25 7 Box 5
Sec. 4, T6S, R10E ITEM 47

TARCOG
ARCHITECTURAL--HISTORICAL NOTES
FIELD SURVEYOR
RECORDING FORM

County: DEKALB
Field Surveyors' Names: FORBES
BOOTH
Historical Notes Number: 21-FS
(Red Ink)
Photograph Record Number: 087-092
(Blue Ink)

1. Name: Indian Caves

2. Location: Alpine, near Desoto Falls pool

3. Owner of Property: Unknown; may be owned by State.

4. Geographical Data:

5. Acreage: unknown

6. Classification: Natural

7. Integrity: unaltered

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Names:

Indian Caves

TARCOG Historical
Survey

Places:

Alpine, Dekalb Co.,
AL

Dekalb Co., AL

Types:

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Name and No. INDIAN CAVES AND FORTIFICATIONS
DK. Co. Site #25 7 Box 5
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8. Condition: fair

9. Present Use: unused

10. Areas of Significance: Indian site

11. Architectural Description: Caves located along and below rim. Remains of stone walls reported erected as defense measure by Indians.

12. Sketches of structure or site with approximate

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Names:

Indian Caves

Places:

Alpine, Dekalb Co.,
AL

Types:

form

photograph

Dates:

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HISTORICAL SURVEY PHOTOGRAPH RECORD

County: DeKalb

Field Surveyors' Names: Forbes

I. Information on Photograph

Photographer: Booth

Date of Photograph: 3/23/74 View Description: Indian Caves

Roll Number: _____

Exposure Number: _____

II. Information on Site

Place Number on Map (Blue Ink): 21-FS
(Copied from number used in recording it on appropriate County Highway Map)

Historical Notes Number (Red Ink): 21-FS
(If there is a historical notes form filled in for this place, write it in the photograph number in the upper right-hand corner of this form in space provided).

Location (Word Description): Alpine near Dewlo Falls Rd.

Owner or Occupant: Unknown
(Name, if known)

Address: _____

TYPE of Structure: () House () Outbuilding () Commercial
() Barn () Industrial (X) Other, describe
check one or more Indian caves

Apparent period of construction: () Federal
Unknown () Greek Revival
() Mid-19th Century
() Latter 19th Century
() Early 20th Century

Apparent period of Additions: () Federal
(if appropriate) () Greek Revival
() Mid-19th Century
() Latter 19th Century
() Early 20th Century
() Later 20th Century (modern)

III. Remarks and Sketches if appropriate: _____

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Names:

Indian Caves

Places:

Alpine, DeKalb Co.,
AL

Types:

form

Dates:

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TARCOG HISTORICAL SURVEY
Final Report Form

Make your answers as concise as possible.

Number as appears on your county map 25

- Name of site or structure Indian Caves, Fortifications
- Location of site or structure (including township, range and section number, and which quadrant of section if known)
- Description Cave
- Historical significance of site or structure if known Little evidence is seen left of the rock walls which formerly constituted the cave area near De Soto Falls. The cave is not below the top of the rock overhangs are four or five small caves, separated from each other by strata of rock which resemble roughly human pillars. It is approximately 70 feet from the cave to the surface of the river. In his History of Alabama, Pickett describes these caves and refers to the fact that many people called them "De Soto's Rock Houses." Some of the smoke which blackens the walls of the caves is of recent origin, but it is interesting to note that Pickett observed this evidence of occupation on his visit in 1850.

Names:

Indian Caves

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Places:

Alpine, Dekalb Co.,
AL

Dekalb Co., AL

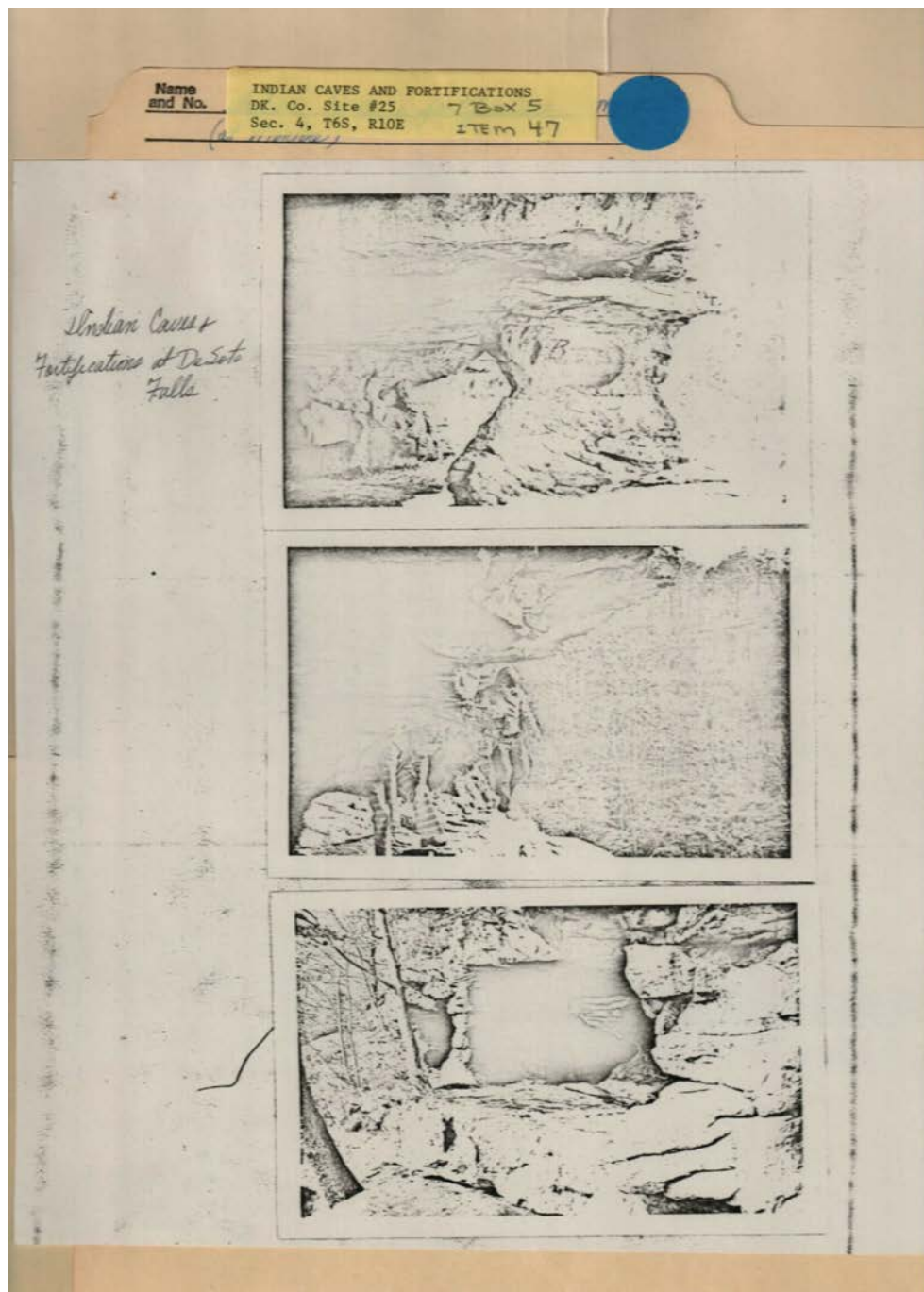
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Indian Caves &
Fortifications

Places:

De Soto Falls, Dekalb
Co., AL

Types:

photographs

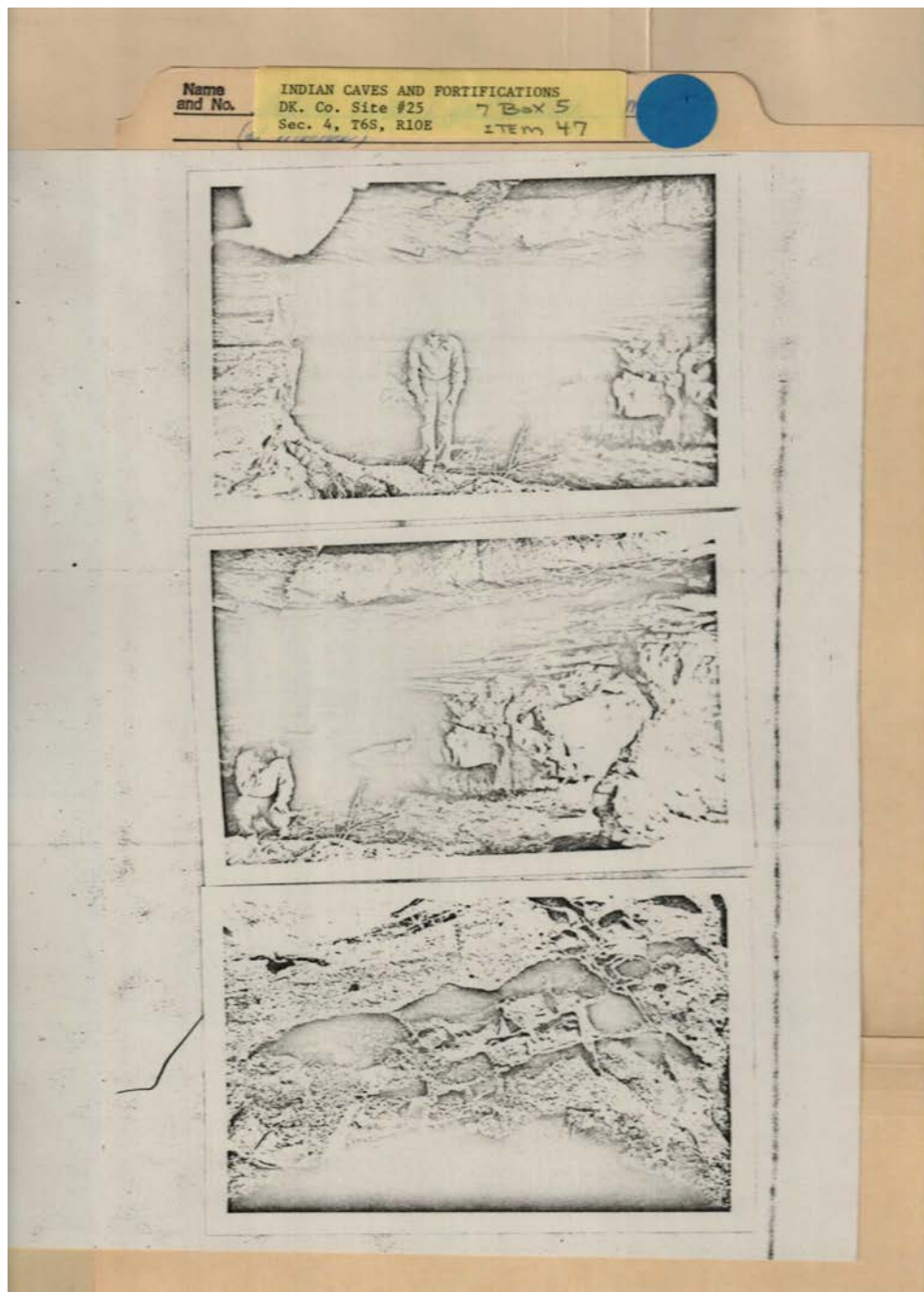
Dates:

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Places:

Alpine, DeKalb Co.,
AL

Types:

photographs

Dates:

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TARCOG
ARCHITECTURAL--HISTORICAL NOTES
FIELD SURVEYOR
RECORDING FORM

County: DeKalb
Field Surveyors' Names: Foxboro
Booth
Historical Notes Number: 21-F5
(Red Ink)
Photograph Record Number: D87-D92
(Blue Ink)

1. Name: Indian Caves and fortifications

2. Location: Montone, at
Alpine, near DeSoto Falls part dam

3. Owner of Property: unknown, may be owned by state.
Mrs. Bob McSpadden
Montone, Alabama

4. Geographical Data: _____

5. Acreage: unknown

6. Classification: natural

7. Integrity: unaltered
fortifications - almost completely destroyed

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Names:

Indian Caves &
Fortifications

McSpadden, Bob,
Mrs.

Places:

De Soto Falls, Dekalb
Co., AL

Dekalb Co., AL

Types:

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8. Condition: fair

9. Present Use: unusual

10. Areas of Significance: Indian site

11. Architectural Description: Caves located along and below river. Remains of stone walls reported erected as defense measures by Indians.

12. Sketches of structure or site when applicable:

Date of Completion: 3/23/74

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Types:

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TARCOG
HISTORICAL SURVEY PHOTOGRAPH RECORD

County: DEKALB

Field Surveyors' Names: F. R. BOOTH

I. Information on Photograph

Photographer: F. R. BOOTH

Date of Photograph: 3/23/74 View Description: Indian Caves

Roll Number: _____

Exposure Number: _____

II. Information on Site

Place Number on Map (Blue Ink): 21-ES
(Copied from number used in recording it on appropriate County Highway Map)

Historical Notes Number (Red Ink): 21-ES
(If there is a historical notes form filled in for this place, write it in the photograph number in the upper right-hand corner of this form in space provided).

Location (Word Description): Montone at Alpine near DeKalb Falls Park dam

Owner or Occupant: McSpadden, Mrs. Bob
(Name, if known)

Address: _____

TYPE of Structure: () House () Outbuilding () Commercial
() Barn () Industrial (X) Other, describe
Indian Caves

Apparent period of construction: () Federal
() Greek Revival
() Mid-19th Century
() Latter 19th Century
() Early 20th Century

Apparent period of Additions: () Federal
() Greek Revival
() Mid-19th Century
() Latter 19th Century
() Early 20th Century
() Later 20th Century (modern)

III. Remarks and Sketches if appropriate: _____

Date of completion: 3/23/74 Form HS-2

Names:

Indian Caves

McSpadden, Bob,
Mrs.

Places:

Alpine, Dekalb Co.,
AL

Types:

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