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HISTORIC RESOURCES OF CAVE SPRING, FLOYD COUNTY, GEORGIA GEORGIA ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORIC PROPERTIES SURVEY-INVENTORY FORM

	PROPERTY NAME: Kerr House	HISTORIC NAME: John T. Mann House
TON	STREET ADDRESS: Rivers Street	CITY: Cave Spring
LCAT	PRESENT OWNER: Joe T. Kerr	MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. Box 14
IDENTIFICAT	CITY: Cave Spring	STATE: Georgia ZIP CODE: 30124
TDEI	CURRENT USE: Residence	ACREAGE: 1.28
Τ.	U.S.G.S. QUADRANGLE Cedartown West, Ga.	U.T.M. REFERENCE: Z.16 E653420 N3775330
	V.B.D. OR TAX MAP NUMBER: 820-7-6	

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND PRESENT CONDITION: Gothic Revival-style house with Tshaped plan, asymmetric massing, 1-1/2 stories high, steep gable roof with dormers, centrally located chimney, bay window, front porch, and rear ell: constructed of wood frame, with board-and-batten siding, on a stuccoed masonry foundation; details include molded battens, scalloped bargeboards, dripstone-type windows and do rway surrounds, and a narrow, diamond-shaped attic vent; interior recently remodeled; prominently situated on a slight rise of ground at the end of a street north of downtown; grounds feature trees, shrubbery, lawn; and a low concrete retaining wall at the street; surrounded by non-historic residences on three sides, open land to north; good condition.

ORIGINAL OWNER: John T. Mann

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ARCHITECT/BUILDER: John T. Mann

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

HISTORIC ACREAGE:

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1870

DATE(S) OF ALTERATIONS:

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE (FROM ORIGINS TO PRESENT) (OPTIONAL): This house was built on property owned by Joseph Rivers and later subdivided to form Rivers Street.

N.R. AREA(S) OF SIGNIFICANCE: Architecture, landscape architec-LEVEL: Local ture

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL): Architecturally, this is one of the finest Gothic Revival residences in Cave Spring. Although the interior has been remodeled, the exterior is virtually intact. Salient features include its plan, massing, and detailing; its design might well have been taken from a pattern book. Gothic Revival residences are relatively rare in Georgia, a state dominated by the Greek Revival, but they are well represented in the Cave Spring multiple-resource area. Because of its siting on a low rise at the end of a street, it has become a landmark in the downtown part of the city.

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IV. cont.: In terms of landscape architecture, this property features several characteristics of turn-of-the-century landscaping, including an informally landscaped front yard with a low retaining wall. Topography, street plan, and siting have combined here to create a landmark in the downtown part of the city.