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Historic Sites Survey

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

1-1/2 story frame residence with undercut gallery supported on square columns. Raised 2 feet on brick piers, double-leaf front and rear entrance doors, panelled wainscoting along front gallery. Original mantels in both front rooms, enclosed staircase off of center hall. Wainscoting with chairrail in center hall. Ell added to southeast end of rear facade.

ALTERATIONS:

OUTBUILDINGS:

Small crib, store across lane.

LANDSCAPE FEATURES:

Surrounded by open fields, immediate area overgrown for protection of property. Large pecan trees, camellia bushes, boxwood and azaleas in yard, ~~row of cedars across lane.~~

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

The Rogers House is architecturally significant as one of 3 Greek Revival/vernacular style houses in Lawrence County. Stylistic features include the undercut gallery supported on square columns, panelled wainscoting along the gallery and in the center hall, and double-leaf entrance framed by transom and sidelights.

Historically the house is associated with Elisha Rogers, an early settler of Lawrence County and owner of this property by 1830. By 1835 Rogers had acquired 160 acres in this section and eventually possessed all of the northeast and southeast quarters. His prosperity enabled him to build one of the county's finest houses, representative of the cotton planter's lifestyle in the flat bottom lands of the Pearl. The residence has been owned by the Rogers family since its construction. Elisha Rogers originally bought this property from John Ross, one of the county's earliest residents.

NAME: Rogers House

STREET NO:

Silver Creek

TOWN/VIC: Old Silver Creek Church

COUNTY: Lawrence

BLOCK/LOT:

Mrs. Clara Rogers

PRESENT OWNER: c/o Mrs. Ben Haywood
ADDRESS Rt. 1, Box 701

PRESENT USE: vacant Eighty-four, Penn. 15330

FORMER USE: residence

DATE: 1850

STYLE: Greek Revival

ARCH/BUILDER: Elisha Rogers

SOURCE OF DATE: style and land records

ENVIRONMENT: rural

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE

NEIGHBORHOOD

LOCAL X

STATE

NATIONAL

PHOTOS

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