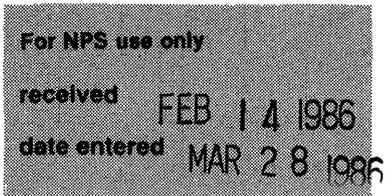


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Name: Camden Riley House (DAOB 72) Location: 112 E. 4th St.

Owner: Lucy Taylor Classification: Building
112 E. 4th St.
Owensboro Specific Date: 1891

Description: The Camden Riley house is a two story brick Italianate home with front and side gables. An original one-story partial width Italianate entrance porch is decorated with arches and double column supports. Beneath the eaves of the roof is an original Italianate style bracket cornice which runs around the house. Alterations to the home were made in the early 1900's with a one-story addition near the side entrance and the side porch was decorated with Italianate brackets and arches.

The front door and side door are four panel doors with half circle window - not original to the building. The first floor windows are topped by triangular pedimented cornices and the second floor windows are topped with segmental pedimented cornices. There is a one-story addition in the rear added in 1962 and a covered walkway was added in 1984 with Italianate features. There is a non-contributing apartment building behind the house.

Significance: The Camden Riley house was constructed in 1891 and is a handsome survivor of the row of Victorian houses that once lined 3rd and 4th Streets. The front and side doors are each one half of the double doors that originally hung on the Beaux-Arts facade of the Central Bank and Trust building constructed ca 1900.

Camden Riley, Jr. was the nephew of Camden Riley, Sr., both prominent attorneys in the 19th century. The junior Riley built the house at the peak of his career, having made his wealth as a distiller at Yelvington, in eastern Daviess Co. He was influential in the establishment of Owensboro's public school system, serving on the first board of directors. At his death the house was sold to another distiller. It has been owned by the Glenn Funeral Home family since the 1940's.

Acreage: Approximately .692 acres.

Verbal Boundary Discription: The Camden Riley house is located on Census Tract 3, Traffic Zone 5, Block Number 505, Parcel Number 9 according to Information taken from the Owensboro Metropolitan Planning Commission's Land Use File.

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