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Alexander Bagby House (34), 1520 Lexington Avenue. Dwelling, circa 1855.

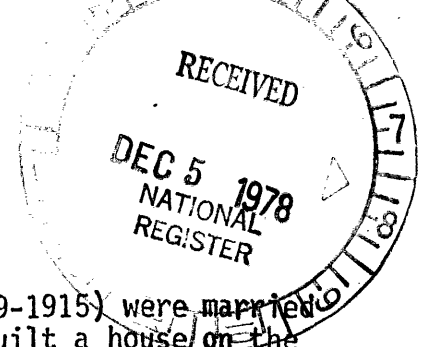
Description:

The Bagby house is a two-story single-pile brick house with a side-passage plan and a two-story, two-room-plan rear ell. The house has simple Greek Revival details, including a flat frieze board below the cornice and a front door with side lights and a long transom.

Significance:

With the Martin Hilton House (114), the Bagby house is one of only two mid-century dwellings built on the hillside above Lexington Avenue, south of the river plain on which Ashland was laid out in 1854. The house was built by Alexander Bagby in the following year. It is a well preserved example of a hall-and-passage plan form that was commonly built in central Kentucky in the mid nineteenth century, but that is seldom found in the Ashland area.

Owners: John and Mary McKenzie, 1520 Lexington Avenue, Ashland, Kentucky.



Alexander Bagby(1819-1889) and his wife Orra Walter Bagby(1829-1915) were married in 1848. They moved to Ashland from Louisville in 1855 and built a house on the corner of Lexington and Sixteenth (Broadway); a picture is enclosed of the house and land plot. According to the land sales and titles of the Kentucky, Iron, Coal and Manufacturing Company, the land was purchased on July 9, 1855 in the name of Orra Bagby. Four lots were purchased, Lots 1 and 2 facing Lexington were \$495 each, Lots 7 and 8 facing Hilton (Lawrence) were priced at \$495 and \$360. Mrs. Bagby's parents were Alpha Walter (1796-1846) and Margaret Lindsay (1808-?). They were also residents of Louisville and owned a chair factory.

Alexander Bagby was a lawyer and is listed as a police judge in the 1860 census for Boyd County. According to the census his children were Sallie, Fanny D., Bellee and Mary E.

Sallie married Dr. Thomas R. Young on December 13, 1876; a copy of their obituaries are inclosed. Fannie and Belle lived at home until their deaths.

According to the city directories that we have Fannie Bagby was listed until 1930; Belle until 1937 and Ella until 1944. We can assume their deaths occurred around those dates.

Sources checked for information:

Land Sales and Titles of the Kentucky, Iron, Coal and Manufacturing Company

John Young, Kentucky Pioneer and his Kin by Jessamine Young Wooten

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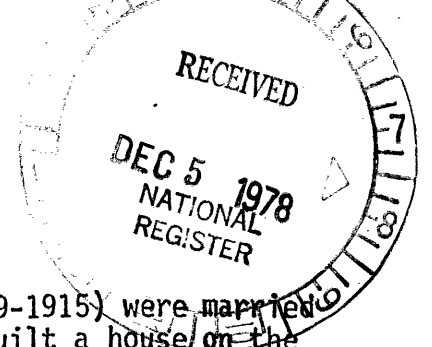
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