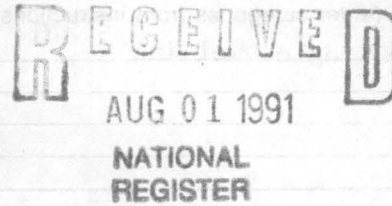


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United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Booth-Weir House
other names/site number Resource # WH0016

2. Location

street & number West First Street ☐ not for publication N/A
city, town McRae ☐ vicinity N/A
state Arkansas code AR county White code 145 zip code 72102

3. Classification

Ownership of Property

- ☒ private
☐ public-local
☐ public-State
☐ public-Federal

Category of Property

- ☒ building(s)
☐ district
☐ site
☐ structure
☐ object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing
<u>1</u>	<u> </u> buildings
<u> </u>	<u> </u> sites
<u> </u>	<u> </u> structures
<u> </u>	<u> </u> objects
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing:

Historic and Architectural Resources
of White County, Arkansas

Number of contributing resources previously
listed in the National Register N/A

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this
☒ nomination ☐ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the
National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.
In my opinion, the property ☒ meets ☐ does not meet the National Register criteria. ☐ See continuation sheet.

Cathryn A. Byrd
Signature of certifying official

5-12-90
Date

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property ☐ meets ☐ does not meet the National Register criteria. ☐ See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

- ☒ entered in the National Register.
☐ See continuation sheet.
☐ determined eligible for the National
Register. ☐ See continuation sheet.
☐ determined not eligible for the
National Register.
☐ removed from the National Register.
☐ other, (explain:) _____

Entered in the
National Register:

Helene Byrd

9/5/91

for Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/ Single Dwelling

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/ Single Dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

Other: Vernacular/ Irregular Plan

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation brick

walls novelty siding

roof asphalt siding

other

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

☒ See continuation sheet

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Description

During the Railroad Era (1870-1914) in White County a variety of vernacular houses were constructed. They were also built out of a variety of materials. Surviving examples from this period, however, are somewhat limited. Even though the Booth-Weir House has been somewhat architecturally altered it is still reflective of the time these gentlemen were prominent McRae citizens.

Located on W. First Street, this building was constructed less than two blocks southwest of where the McRae railroad depot once stood. This house is one and one-half stories tall, frame, and irregularly shaped. The hip roof slopes downward and terminates with gable wings; the entire roof is covered with composition shingles. The walls are still clad with novelty siding and the entire structure rests on brick piers. It was constructed in 1911, and is still in good condition.

The main, or south, elevation of the structure is dominated by two gable ends; one is a gable wing while the other is the porch roof. The lone window on this elevation is a single centrally placed one-over-one double-hung sash window that is located in the gable end wing. The gable end of the porch is supported by non-historic wrought iron posts and is decorated with geometrically shaped wood shingles. There are two doors leading onto the porch; the one on the south elevation of the house is the more ornate of the two. It is flanked by two-pane sidelights with wooden kicks and capped by a three-pane transom. The east elevation of the structure is fenestrated with one-over-one double-hung sash windows.

An original gable roof portion of the building extends from the north elevation of the structure. A large window was originally located in the center of the gable end but it has since been replaced by a smaller paired one-over-one double-hung sash window. Shed roof porches originally flanked this section of the building but they have since been enclosed. Only the eastern porch is accessible from the outside but both porches are fenestrated with symmetrically placed windows that are similar to the ones found on the rear gable end. The original turned posts can still be seen on the western porch. The projecting gable roof bay on the west elevation of the original house has a chamfered southern corner. Both sides of this bay contain single one-over-one double-hung sash windows; a similar window is found just south of these on the main portion of the building.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

☐ nationally ☐ statewide ☒ locally

Applicable National Register Criteria ☐ A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

COMMERCE

HEALTH/MEDICINE

Period of Significance

1911-1914

1915-1939

Significant Dates

N/A

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

Booth, William, Weir, Dr. Vivian W.

Architect/Builder

Blevins, Forest

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

☒ See continuation sheet

9. Major Bibliographical References

See "Historic and Architectural Resources of White County, Arkansas," Section H.

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- ☐ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- ☐ previously listed in the National Register
- ☐ previously determined eligible by the National Register
- ☐ designated a National Historic Landmark
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

☐ See continuation sheet

Primary location of additional data:

- ☐ State historic preservation office
- ☐ Other State agency
- ☐ Federal agency
- ☐ Local government
- ☐ University
- ☐ Other

Specify repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property _____

UTM References

A

Zone	Easting	Northing
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B

Zone	Easting	Northing
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C

Zone	Easting	Northing
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D

Zone	Easting	Northing
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☒ See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description _____

☒ See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification _____

☒ See continuation sheet

11. Form Prepared By

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organization Arkansas Historic Preservation Program date 4 April, 1990

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city or town Little Rock state Arkansas zip code 72201

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Significance

This building is being nominated under Criterion B with local significance because of the gentlemen who have lived here when they were prominent citizens of McRae.

Forest Blevins built this house in 1911 for Bill Booth. Booth was a fireman for the Missouri-Pacific Railroad and one day was injured on the job. He was shovelling coal when he was thrown from the train and injured his back; he was allegedly awarded a large settlement as compensation. After his recovery he owned several businesses and property around McRae. His businesses included a sawmill, barber shop-confectionery, and a dry goods store. In 1915, Booth was the 1st vice president of the McRae State Bank. He also owned the town's first automobile and was one of the first McRae residents to have carbide lighting in his house. He was a partner in the town's carbide light plant. During the 1920's, Booth was the mayor of McRae. After his term he moved to Little Rock.

Dr. Vivian W. Weir moved into this house after Bill Booth moved into his new brick residence c. 1915. He, like Booth, was very important in McRae's history. Weir was born August 16, 1856, in Jackson, Tennessee. He eventually moved to Little Rock and studied to be a physician and surgeon. By the time he moved to McRae in 1914, he was a dentist as well. Dr. Weir allegedly never refused to see a patient that could not afford to pay for his services; he also would not charge for medicine dispensed on Sundays. In 1920, Dr. Weir was a member of the McRae Fruit and Truck Growers' Association. This organization was responsible for shipping almost thirty thousand crates of strawberries in 1921. He died in North Little Rock on April 8, 1946.

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Acreage of property: Less than one

UTM References:

A 15/607980/3886770

Verbal Boundary Description:

Lot 10 and the northern half of Lot 11, Block 7, Original Town of McRae, Arkansas.

Boundary Justification:

This boundary includes all the property historically associated with this resource.

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ARKANSAS

Date Listed

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91001322	Ackins House Substantive Review	7/11/92
91001186	American Legion Hall Substantive Review	7/11/92
91001253	Andrews, Col. Ralph, House	9-13-91
91001187	Arnold Farmstead Substantive Review	9-5-91
91001239	Baldock House	9-13-91
91001228	Bank of Searcy	9-5-91
91001251	Beebe Jail	9-5-91
91001265	Beebe Theater	9-13-91
91001201	Bell House	9-5-91
91001262	Berry House	9-5-91
91001192	Big Four School Substantive Review	7/10/92
91001176	Bloom House	9-5-91
91001363	Blunt House Livestock Barn Substantive Review	7/10/92
91001298	Boggs, James William, House	9-5-91
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91001202	Booth, Green, House	9-5-91
91001345	Booth--Weir House	9-5-91
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91001268	Brown House Substantive Review	9-13-91
91001338	Brown, Joe, House and Farmstead Substantive Review	9-13-91
91001337	Burnett House Substantive Review	7/11/92
91001347	Caldwell House	9-5-91
91001280	Campbell--Chrisp House	9-5-91
91001293	Cary House Substantive Review	7/10/92
91001310	Chandler House Substantive Review	7/10/92
91001349	Childers Farmstead Substantive Review	7/11/92
91001301	Churchill--Hilger House	9-5-91
91001209	Cobb, Pattie, Hall	9-5-91
91001282	Cooley, Sam, Barn Substantive Review	7/11/92
91001229	Coward House Substantive Review	7/10/92
91001320	Cremane House Substantive Review	7/10/92
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91001259	Cross House Substantive Review	7/10/92
91001225	Cumberland Presbyterian Church Substantive Review	7/10/92
91001179	Cypert, Jesse N., Law Office Substantive Review	7/10/92
91001196	Doniphan Lumber Mill Historic District Substantive Review	9-13-91
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91001302	Doyle, David, House No. 2	9-5-91

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Booth--Weir House

MULTIPLE NAME: White County MPS

STATE & COUNTY: ARKANSAS, White

DATE RECEIVED: 8/01/91

DATE OF 16TH DAY: 8/31/91

DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

DATE OF PENDING LIST: 8/15/91

DATE OF 45TH DAY: 9/15/91

REFERENCE NUMBER: 91001345

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N

OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N

REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

☒ ACCEPT

☐ RETURN

☐ REJECT

DATE

Entered in the
National Register

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA

REVIEWER

DISCIPLINE

DATE

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

___count ___resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

___historic ___current

DESCRIPTION

___architectural classification
___materials
___descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

___summary paragraph
___completeness
___clarity
___applicable criteria
___justification of areas checked
___relating significance to the resource
___context
___relationship of integrity to significance
___justification of exception
___other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

___acreage ___verbal boundary description
___UTMs ___boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

___sketch maps ___USGS maps ___photographs ___presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



BOOTH-WEIR HOUSE

White C)

MCPRAE, ARKANSAS

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AUGUST, 1988

NEGATIVE ON FILE AT AHPP

VIEW FROM SOUTHEAST

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64500033