

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service



NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Property

historic name: Jeffries House

other name/site number: PU 0084

2. Location

street & number: 415 Skyline Drive

not for publication: N/A

city/town: North Little Rock

vicinity: N/A

state: AR county: Pulaski code: AR 119 zip code: 72116

3. Classification

Ownership of Property: Private

Category of Property: Building

Number of Resources within Property:

Contributing	Noncontributing
<u>2</u>	<u> </u> buildings
<u> </u>	<u> </u> sites
<u> </u>	<u> </u> structures
<u> </u>	<u> </u> objects
<u>2</u>	<u>0</u> Total

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

Name of related multiple property listing: Pre-Depression Houses and Outbuildings of "Edgemont in Park Hill"

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4. State/Federal Agency Certification

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As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X 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 X meets _____ does not meet the National Register Criteria. _____ See continuation sheet.

Cathryn A. Byrd
Signature of certifying official

4-2-92
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

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5. National Park Service Certification

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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): _____

Recorded in 3001
National Register
Helena Byrd 6/1/92

Signature of Keeper Date
of Action

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6. Function or Use

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Historic: Domestic
Domestic

Sub: Single Dwelling
Secondary Structure

Current : Domestic
Domestic

Sub: Single Dwelling
Secondary Structure

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7. Description

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Architectural Classification:

Late 19th and 20 Century Revivals/Colonial Revival

Other Description: _____

Materials: foundation Stone/Fieldstone roof Other/Composition Shingles
walls Stone/Fieldstone other _____

Describe present and historic physical appearance. X See continuation sheet.

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8. Statement of Significance

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

Applicable National Register Criteria: A,C

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions): N/A

Areas of Significance: Architecture
Community Planning and Development

Period(s) of Significance: 1928-1942 _____

Significant Dates: 1928-1942 _____

Significant Person(s): N/A _____

Cultural Affiliation: N/A _____

Architect/Builder: Designed by Frank Carmean/
Built by the Justin Matthews Company

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.
X See continuation sheet.

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Summary

An unusual fieldstone-veneered example of the Colonial Revival style, the Jeffries House occupies an elevated site originally comprised of two lots. Symmetrical in design, the central two-story section of the house is flanked by one-story wings. The original fieldstone-veneered two-car garage still stands behind the house.

Elaboration

Although its fieldstone veneer is out of the ordinary for the Colonial Revival style, the Jeffries House otherwise displays many typical characteristics of that style: a symmetrical main facade with a center doorway, a side-gabled roof, and multi-paned windows with double-hung sashes. One-story wings on either side of the central two-story section of the house add to the symmetrical balance of the main (south) facade, as do the chimneys that are located at each end of the central section.

The central doorway is another rather unusual feature because it is recessed rather than being sheltered by a portico, as is typical of the Colonial Revival style. A denticulated entablature spans the top of the recessed entry. The original front door and sidelights have been replaced.

Directly above the entry, an iron balcony is another departure from the standard Colonial Revival style. Opening onto the balcony is a pair of windows with triple-hung sashes. A similar triple-hung window is used in the rear (north) facade, where it marks the location of the interior stairway. Otherwise, the windows of the Jeffries House have six-over-six, double-hung sashes, except for those in the east wing. This wing encloses a sunroom, and its windows are multi-paned casements. French doors open from the front of this wing onto a small terrace.

Remnants of the original landscaping remain around the Jeffries house. A fieldstone wall runs perpendicular to the east end of the house; another wall runs between the house's west wing and the original two-car garage. A small decorative concrete pool remains in the yard directly behind the house.

The gable-roofed garage has the same fieldstone veneer as the main house. It was designed to house automobiles only; the maid's quarters were located in the west wing of the main house.

The highlight of the interior of the Jeffries House is the entry hall, where a stairway with

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Colonial detailing curves gracefully to the second floor.

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Summary

Criteria A and C, local significance

Built speculatively by the Justin Matthews Company in 1931, the Jeffries House was the last of sixteen residences completed in "Edgemont in Park Hill" before the Depression brought construction to a halt. As such, it represents the end of developer Justin Matthew's first attempt at catering to affluent homebuyers. Architecturally, the Jeffries House is significant as an unusual fieldstone-veneered example of the Colonial Revival style.

Elaboration

The Jeffries House was purchased for \$10,000 late in 1931 by T. Wade Jeffries, a salesman, and his wife, Lois Crafton Jeffries. Unfortunately, as the Depression dragged on, Mr. and Mrs. Jeffries increasingly were unable to make their mortgage payments; they finally lost the house about 1937.

In a pattern that was common for the houses in Edgemont, the Jeffries House was not sold again until the close of World War II. In the meantime, it was occupied by a renter. About 1944, the house was purchased by Dr. and Mrs. Aura C. Clark, and it remained Mrs. Clark's residence for the next forty years.

As the last of the Edgemont houses to be constructed, the Jeffries House holds a special place in the history of the area's development. As a work of architecture, the house is of note mainly because of its fieldstone veneer, which is unique among the Edgemont houses and unusual for a house obviously intended to be Colonial Revival in style.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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X See continuation sheet.

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 # _____

Primary Location of Additional Data:

- ☐ State historic preservation office
- ☐ Other state agency
- ☐ Federal agency
- ☐ Local government
- ☐ University
- ☐ Other -- Specify Repository: _____

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10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of Property: Less than one

UTM References: Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing

A	<u>15</u>	<u>568080</u>	<u>3848760</u>	B	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
C	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	D	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

 See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description: See continuation sheet.

Lots 12, 13, 14 and west half of 15; block 106 of the Park Hill Addition to the City of North Little Rock

Boundary Justification: See continuation sheet.

This boundary includes the two lots originally parceled for the construction of this resource, plus an additional lot-and-a-half that have been added to the property since the construction of the historic buildings.

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11. Form Prepared By

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Bibliography

Little Rock-North Little Rock city directories for the year 1928 through 1987.

Pulaski County Deed Records: Book 215, p. 174; Book 245, p. 437; Book 221, p. 31.

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Pre-Depression Houses and Outbuildings of Edgemont in Park Hill MPS ARKANSAS

		Date Listed
COVER	Substantive Review	6/1/92
1. Cherry House	Substantive Review	6/1/92
2. England, Joseph E. Jr., House	Entered in the National Register	6/1/92
3. Jeffries House	Entered in the National Register	6/1/92
4. Kleiber House	Entered in the National Register	6/1/92
5. Matthews--Bradsham House	Entered in the National Register	6/1/92
6. Matthews--Bryan House	Entered in the National Register	6/1/92
7. Matthews--Dillon House	Entered in the National Register	6/1/92
8. Matthews--Godt House	Entered in the National Register	6/1/92
9. Matthews--MacFadyen House	Entered in the National Register	6/1/92
10. Owings House	Substantive Review	6/1/92
11. Young House	Entered in the National Register	6/1/92

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Jeffries House
NAME:

MULTIPLE Pre-Depression Houses and Outbuildings of Edgemont in Park H
NAME: ill MPS

STATE & COUNTY: ARKANSAS, Pulaski

DATE RECEIVED: 4/17/92 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 5/01/92
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 5/17/92 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 6/01/92
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 92000567

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 6/1/92 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



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North Little Rock, AR

Cheryl Nichols

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View looking northeast at main facade.

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Jeffries House, 415 Skyline Dr. (PU 0084)
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View looking northwest

NEGATIVE ON FILE AT ANPP



Jeffries House, 415 Skyline Dr. (PU 0084)
North Little Rock, AR
Cheryl Nichols

February 14, 1991

View looking southwest at rear facade

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Jeffries House, 415 Skyline Dr. (PU 0084)

North Little Rock, AR

Cheryl Nichols

February 14, 1991

View northeast into entry hall

NEGATIVE ON FILE AT SHPP



Jeffries House, 415 Skyline Dr. (PU 0084)

North Little Rock, AR

Cheryl Nichols

Feb. 14, 1991

Garage, looking northeast

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64500027