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MRA No. 76

INDIVIDUAL DATA SHEET

Property Name Freeman-Felker House Property Owner Perry & Marquita Butcher
Location 318 West Elm Street Address 318 West Elm Street
Construction Date 1903 Survey No. 2003 Rogers, AR 72756

DESCRIPTION

The Freeman-Felker House is a large two-story square frame house, sited on a lot facing north on Elm Street. It is topped by a pyramidal roof and sheltered on the north and east facades by a deep wrap-around porch which is rich with Neoclassical details. The axial entry is marked by a pedimented portico supported by pairs of Tuscan columns. The pediment is underscored by a heavy dentilated molding and its tympanum is ornamented by relief sculptures in plaster. Single Tuscan columns at wide intervals support the perimeter of the porch roof. A wood balustrade stands between columns. A wide gable, centered by a short and fat Palladian window, projects from the front slope of the pyramidal roof. Similar dormers with hipped roofs protect from other faces of the roof. A large sunroom at the southeast corner of the house is an addition of the late 1930's.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Criterion: CArea of significance: architecture

The Freeman-Felker House was built in 1903 from designs by architect A.O. Clark, who came to Rogers from St. Louis a few years earlier and spent his career in the city. Many of the most significant buildings of the city, both commercial and residential, were designed by A.O. Clark. Not long after banker Freeman built the house it was sold to insurance man J.E. Felker, who spent his lifetime in the house. Felker commissioned architect Clark to design the large sunroom in the mid-1930's. The house and its spacious lot with mature landscaping is little altered since it was built. This house and its fenced lot joins three other buildings by A.O. Clark within a city block in creating a stable and appealing urban context.

Acreage less than 1 acreVerbal Boundary Description Lots 2, 3 6 and the north $\frac{1}{2}$ of Lot 7, Block 8, Original TownQuadrangle Name Rogers, Ark.Quadrangle Scale 1:24000UTM Reference: Zone 15 Easting 399505 Northing 4021160

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form



Continuation sheet

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Benton County MRA
State Benton County, ARKANSAS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

31. Deaton Cabin

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper Melvin Byers 1/28/88

Attest

32. Douglas House

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National Register

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33. Drane House

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34. Duckworth--Williams House

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35. First National Bank

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National Register

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36. Freeman--Felker House

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37. Gailey Hollow Farmstead

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38. German Builder's House

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39. Green Barn

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40. Gypsy Camp Historic District

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Freeman--Felker House (Benton County MRA)
Benton County
ARKANSAS

Working No. DEC 14 1987

Fed. Reg. Date: 2/7/89

Date Due: 1/4/88 - 1/25/88

Entered in Action: ACCEPT 1-28-88

National Register RETURN

REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____

Reviewer _____

Discipline _____

Date _____

_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition

- ☐ excellent
☐ good
☐ fair

- ☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

- ☐ unaltered
☐ altered

Check one

- ☐ original site
☐ moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ alterations/integrity
☐ dates
☐ boundary selection

8. 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

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature _____

title _____

date _____

13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



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Rogers
Benton County MRA

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Negatives on file at AHPP

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000022