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National Register of Historic Places  
Registration Form

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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 Brown House  
other names/site number Resource #WHO680

2. Location

street & number Elm Street ☐ not for publication N/A  
city, town Bald Knob ☐ vicinity N/A  
state Arkansas code AR county White code 145 zip code 72010

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.

Signature of certifying official

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:)

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)

Late 19th and Early 20th Century

American Movements/ Craftsman

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation concrete

walls brick

roof asphalt shingle

other

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

☒ See continuation sheet

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Description

The Brown House is a single story, wood frame Craftsman residence. The projecting gable roof porch entry enlivens what is actually an only slightly disjointed plan beneath a single principal gable roof. Three interior brick chimneys--one near the front and the other two near the rear--rise through the roofline. The roof material is composition shingle, the walls are brick, and the foundation is concrete block.

The western or front elevation is dominated by the gable end with its recessed corner porch and perpendicular gabled porch roof. The gable end is stuccoed in the pediment and punctuated only by a horizontal group of three louvered vents. The brick wall below (to the north) is lighted with a group composed of two three-over-one wood sash windows flanking a four-over-one wood sash window. To the south, the recessed porch is accessed through single door entrances in both the south and west walls, and both entrances feature glass transoms. The wall to the south of the west wall entrance is lighted with a single four-over-one sash window. The porch is supported on three brick columns set upon a low, stuccoed wall with pedestals and stoops for the stairway.

The southern elevation consists of the projecting gable roof porch to the west and the side wall to the east with the enclosed porch on the eastern end terminating the elevation. A pair of four-over-one wood sash windows light the wall beneath the porch, two single, smaller windows of the same type light the center of the wall, and a larger pair of the same type light the end of the brick wall. The original rear porch has been covered with artificial siding and an entrance has been placed in this elevation. The northern elevation is also lighted with four-over-one wood sash windows in a variety of groupings and sizes and is surmounted by a stuccoed doghouse dormer lighted with a pair of wood sash windows.

The eastern elevation features only the projecting, gable roof, filled porch element with its central modern entrance and a single four-over-one wood sash window in the brick wall to the north.

All elevations feature either triangular knee braces or exposed rafters along the cornices. An original gable roof, brick garage building is included with this nomination.

The Brown House has suffered the enclosing of the original rear porch but is otherwise intact. It is in good condition.

## 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)

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance

c. 1925

Significant Dates

c. 1925

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

unknown

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 *maps*

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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Significance

Criterion C, local significance

The Brown House (Part E, Historic Context #4) is the best example in Bald Knob of a single story, wood frame Craftsman style residence clad in brick. Typical of other Craftsman designs of the mid-1920's, the details characteristically associated with this style are being reduced in scale and chiefly isolated to the cornice line. Furthermore, the plan reflects the trend toward pulling all living spaces inward and beneath a single roof form. As such the Brown House is typical of the second phase in the evolution of the Craftsman house designs in White County, in which the wings and appendages tend to be placed more symmetrically around the house block and beneath a single, all-inclusive roof form, despite the continuing tendency for the elevations to exhibit an asymmetrical, picturesque aspect.

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Acreage of property: Less than one

UTM References:

A 15/630140/3908260

Verbal Boundary Description:

All of Lot 14 and the southeastern quarter of Lot 15, Block 7, Original Town of Bald Knob.

Boundary Justification:

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



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White County MPS  
ARKANSAS

Date Listed

COVER Substantive Review

9-12-91

91001350	✓	Abington, William Thomas, House	Substantive Review	7/11/92
91001322	✓	Ackins House	Substantive Review	7/11/92
91001186		American Legion Hall	Substantive Review	9-13-91
91001253		Andrews, Col. Ralph, House		9-5-91
91001187		Arnold Farmstead	Substantive Review	9-13-91
91001239		Baldock House		9-5-91
91001228		Bank of Searcy		9-5-91
91001251		Beebe Jail		9-13-91
91001265		Beebe Theater		9-5-91
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
91001275		Bone, Luke, Grocery--Boarding House		9-13-91
91001202		Booth, Green, House		9-5-91
91001345		Booth--Weir House		9-5-91
91001217	✓	Brooks House	Substantive Review	7/10/92
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
91001333	✓	Critz, Col. John, Farm, Springhouse	Substantive Review	7/10/92
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
91001264	✓	Doss House	Substantive Review	7-10-92
91001302		Doyle, David, House No. 2		9-5-91



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## SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 91001268

Date Listed: 9/13/91

Brown House  
Property NameWhite  
CountyARKANSAS  
StateHistoric and Architectural Resources of White County  
Multiple Name

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This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

Patrick Andrews  
Signature of the Keeper

9/24/91  
Date of Action

## =====

Section No. 3

This nomination was amended to include the garage as a contributing building.

The amendment was confirmed by phone with the Arkansas SHPO (9/18/91).

## DISTRIBUTION:

National Register property file  
Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Brown 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: 91001268

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: Y NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT 9/13/91 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

This house is architecturally significant as an important local example of a Bungalow-style residence built in the 1920s.

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept/D  
REVIEWER Harper  
DISCIPLINE Historian  
DATE 9/13/91

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

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CLASSIFICATION

\_\_\_\_count      \_\_\_\_resource type

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STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

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FUNCTION

\_\_\_\_historic      \_\_\_\_current

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DESCRIPTION

\_\_\_\_architectural classification  
\_\_\_\_materials  
\_\_\_\_descriptive text

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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

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BIBLIOGRAPHY

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GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

\_\_\_\_acreage      \_\_\_\_verbal boundary description  
\_\_\_\_UTMs      \_\_\_\_boundary justification

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ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

\_\_\_\_sketch maps      \_\_\_\_USGS maps      \_\_\_\_photographs      \_\_\_\_presentation

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OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_







B.F. Brown House     white Co

Bald knob, Arkansas

Photograph by Steve Mitchell

December, 1986

Negative on file at AHPP

West elevation





B.F. Brown House

white

Bald knob, Arkansas

Photograph by Steve Mitchell

December, 1986

Negative on file at AHPP

South elevation





B. F. Brown House

interior

Bald Knob, Arkansas

Photograph by Steve Mitchell

December, 1986

Negative on file at AHPP

North elevation





B.F. Brown House

whitewashed

Bald Knob, Arkansas

Photograph by Steve Mitchell

December, 1986

Negative on file at AHPP

South elevation

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64500033