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Exterior: Constructed in 1885, this two-story clapboard house has a northern (front) facade of four massive fluted columns supporting a broad plain entablature with low-sloped, boxed cornice pediment. Cornices of the hipped tin-covered roof, pediments, and shed roofs of side porches are adorned with modillions. Eight evenly spaced sash windows adorn the front, with first floor windows of northern, front eastern, and front western facades being floor length. All windows have louvred Front entrance consists of double doors surrounded by a three-light transom, four-light rectangular sidelights, and pilaster molding that supports a paneled entablature. Directly above the front entrance a double casement window flanked by single casements opens onto a small balcony with wooden balustrade. Symmetry is maintained throughout with eastern and western facades being identical. extend halfway along each side facade and terminate at side entrances which have three-light transoms. Rear rooms of the house are broader than those of the front, and there are two one-story wings to the south (rear) of the house.

<u>Interior</u>: The basic plan of the house is four rooms over four with a central hall and stairway. An additional room is provided by each of the rear wings. At the southern end of the first floor hall a divided open-string stairway with ornamental brackets rises to a landing and proceeds to the second story along a reversed single stairway. Other noteworthy features include the hand carved wooden mantles in the various rooms which exhibit interesting column designs.



STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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Industrial and Commercial Significance: Though he practiced medicine in Anderson for twenty-five years Dr. Samuel Marshall Orr was also active in progressive civic and industrial affairs. He was director of the first building and loan association in Anderson, chairman of the medical board at the hospital, and president and treasurer of Orr Cotton Mills and of the Anderson Water, Light, and Power Company. Concerning the last of these, the historian of Anderson County, Louise A. Vandiver, notes that Dr. Orr "greatly improved and extended the system, and soon Anderson was using electricity for many of her enterprises which before had been dependent upon steam power." Dr. Orr's faith in the ability of electrical power to make Anderson a manufacturing center played and important part in the growth of this textile city.

The Marshall Orr House is a replica of the home of James L. Orr, father of Dr. S. M. Orr and member of Congress (1848-1859), Speaker of the United States House of Representatives (1857-1859), and Governor of South Carolina (1865-1868). Gov. Orr's house stood in another section of Anderson until razed in 1959. The Marshall Orr House is representative of the rural plantation style brought to an urban setting, a style indicative of the civic importance of the owner. Increasingly interested in preserving and restoring the representative elements of their heritage which remain, the citizens of Anderson are hopeful of preserving this house as a local landmark.



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