

INDIVIDUAL DATA SHEET

MRA No. 9

Property Name Maxwell-Hinman House Property Owner Mary Morrison
Location 902 N.W. 2nd Street, Bentonville Address 902 N.W. 2nd Street
Construction Date c 1881 Survey No. 0400 Bentonville, AR 72712

DESCRIPTION

The Maxwell-Hinman House is a two-story brick L-shaped house facing south. It is detailed in the Italianate manner. An elegant one-story wood porch shelters the entrance, located in the inside corner of the L formed by the two-story gabled wing projecting southward from the rest of the house. Five pairs of wood columns with voluptuous scrollwork capitals support the shed roof of the porch. There is no other wooden ornamentation on the building. Paired brick brackets projecting from a wide cornice of corbelled brick lend emphasis to the roof overhang. Windows are the typical slender proportions of the Italianate fashion, two-over-two double-hung, and are spanned by brick hoodmolds forming segmental arches. An interior end brick chimney rises from the west gable. The original red brick structure has had several coats of paint during recent decades. The house is built on a substantial limestone foundation.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Criterion: C Area of significance: Architecture

The Maxwell-Hinman House is said to have been built in 1881 by a Union soldier returning to Bentonville after the Civil War. The exceptionally fine ornamentation, both brick and wood, gives this house a distinction lacking in all other Italianate examples built in Bentonville during the last quarter of the 19th century. The creativity demonstrated in the brickwork (cornice, brackets, hoodmolds, quoins) along with the flamboyance of the porch columns, suggest craftsmen from outside the region.

Acreage less than 1 acre

Verbal Boundary Description Lots 10 & 11 Block 3, A. B. Deloach Addition

Quadrangle Name Bentonville South, Ark. Quadrangle Scale 1:24000

UTM Reference: Zone 15 Easting 390410 Northing 4025830

