

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 project 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: C Area 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 acre

Verbal Boundary Description Lots 2, 3 6 and the north ½ of Lot 7, Block 8, Original Town

Quadrangle Name Rogers, Ark. Quadrangle Scale 1:24000

UTM Reference: Zone 15 Easting 399505 Northing 4021160

