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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Bailey House BR 0007

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

302 Chestnut Street

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Warren

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Fourth

STATE

Arkansas

VICINITY OF

CODE
05

COUNTY

Bradley

CODE

011

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- COMMERCIAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mr. & Mrs. Vernon Colvin

STREET & NUMBER

302 Chestnut Street

CITY, TOWN

Warren

STATE

Arkansas

VICINITY OF

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Clerk's Office

STREET & NUMBER

Bradley County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Warren

STATE

Arkansas

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

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

The Bailey House is the most architecturally interesting residence in the south Arkansas community of Warren. When originally constructed in the late nineteenth century the house occupied a full city block with stables and other out-buildings located nearby; however, as the community grew, the spacious grounds became the site of new houses. The Bailey House now occupies only about one-fourth of a city block.

The residence is a two and one-half storey frame structure surmounted by an octagonal cupola. The house is unusual in that it has two facades along the south and east elevations, meeting at the south east corner. White clapboard with narrow flush board trim encloses the structure. According to the present owner, the foundation of the house is made of bricks which were once part of an old Bradley County jail.

The dominant feature of the Bailey House is the two storey angular porch located at the south east corner. Turned balusters beneath a wide handrail span the three porch bays on both storeys. The lower floor has spindle work to match the balusters, while the upper storey has a delicate bargeboard. The turned porch posts are set in square bases and capitals. Brackets carved in semicircle and circular designs are found at the top of each porch post. Flush boards set in vertical and horizontal patterns with a semicircular overlay are found at the second storey line on each bay of the porch.

Each of the four entries opening off the porch has a narrow decorative door with colored glass above the lower wood panel. A transom with colored glass lights is located above each entry. On the ground floor a small octagonal window separates the two entries, while the second floor has a tall arched window set in a rectangular frame. Like the doors and transoms, both windows are filled with small lights of multi-colored glass.

Above the porch is a triangular dormer set into the sloping octagonal roof. This porch roof rises into the cupola which has a conical roof supported by eight turned columns. A cross gabled roof covers the original house with a flat roof over the rear (west) addition.

Projecting slightly from the east elevation is a one storey window bay. Turned posts on either side of the double windows support the bell-cast roof over this bay window. On the north elevation a two storey, three sided bay projects from the wall surface of the house. A decorative flush board panel lies beneath

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each of the six windows. A drop pendant marks the juncture of the heavily carved brackets above the upper end windows of the bay. The gable end on this north bay is similar to those on the south and east elevations, with a sunburst set in the upper portion of the gable. Double windows beneath the broken roof-line are also found in these three gable ends.

The interior of the Bailey House is less ornate but no less interesting than the exterior. In the main hallway, opening off the lower east entry, is a circular stairway. Six paneled posts separate the turned balusters and handrail as the stairway rises to the second floor. Interior door and window trim is heavily moulded with corner blocks. Set above each corner block is a small crown-like piece of wood cut in a sunburst pattern reminiscent of that in the gable ends.

The original brass hardware is still in place downstairs with iron hardware used upstairs. The original upgrain pine floors have recently been recovered with parkay tile. Ceiling heights of 11 feet on the first storey and 10 feet on the second are unaltered.

The only major alteration to the house was made in 1973 when the one storey rear wing was removed and replaced with a two storey flat-roofed addition. The interior is currently being repainted and repapered by the present owners, who are actively working to restore and preserve the Bailey House. This significant Bradley County structure remains in excellent condition.

81 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

About the turn of the century a druggist in Warren, Arkansas, built a large frame residence for his family. The two and one-half storey Bailey House is still standing and is probably the most architecturally interesting house in Bradley County. Located within a block of the county courthouse, the Bailey House is a well known landmark to residents of this south Arkansas community.

Except for a modern two storey addition on the rear, the Bailey House has remained basically unaltered since its late nineteenth century construction. The facade is located at the southeast corner of the house, where the two storey porch encircles the corner between the south and east bays. Turned balusters, spindle-work and lace-like bargeboard ornament this three bay porch. A second dominant feature is the octagonal cupola above the bell-cast porch roof. Though of large dimensions, the house has an almost delicate appearance.

The man who built this interesting residence was James Monroe Bailey. In 1860 Bailey moved from Georgia to Bradley County, Arkansas, with his father's family. Born in 1844, James M. Bailey was one of Thomas J. and Mary White Bailey's eight children. After her husband's death in 1866, Mrs. T. J. Bailey made her home with her son James.

In May, 1862, James M. Bailey volunteered for service with Company C, Fifth Arkansas Regiment, CSA. After being wounded near Macon, Georgia in 1863, he was captured by Federal troops near Jonesboro, Georgia in 1864. He was paroled at the end of the war and returned to his Arkansas home.

After the war Bailey opened a drug store in Warren and built up a very successful business. His store, located on the south side of the courthouse square, was only about two blocks from the large residence he later built.

The Bailey House, with its decorative porch and cupola, is one of the most architecturally interesting residential structures in south

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than one acre

UTM REFERENCES

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C			D															

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE: Dianna Kirk, Historian

ORGANIZATION: Arkansas Historic Preservation Program DATE: 6-10-75

STREET & NUMBER: 300 West Markham TELEPHONE: 501-371-1639

CITY OR TOWN: Little Rock, STATE: Arkansas

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS

NATIONAL STATE LOCAL X

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE: William E. Henderson *William E. Henderson*

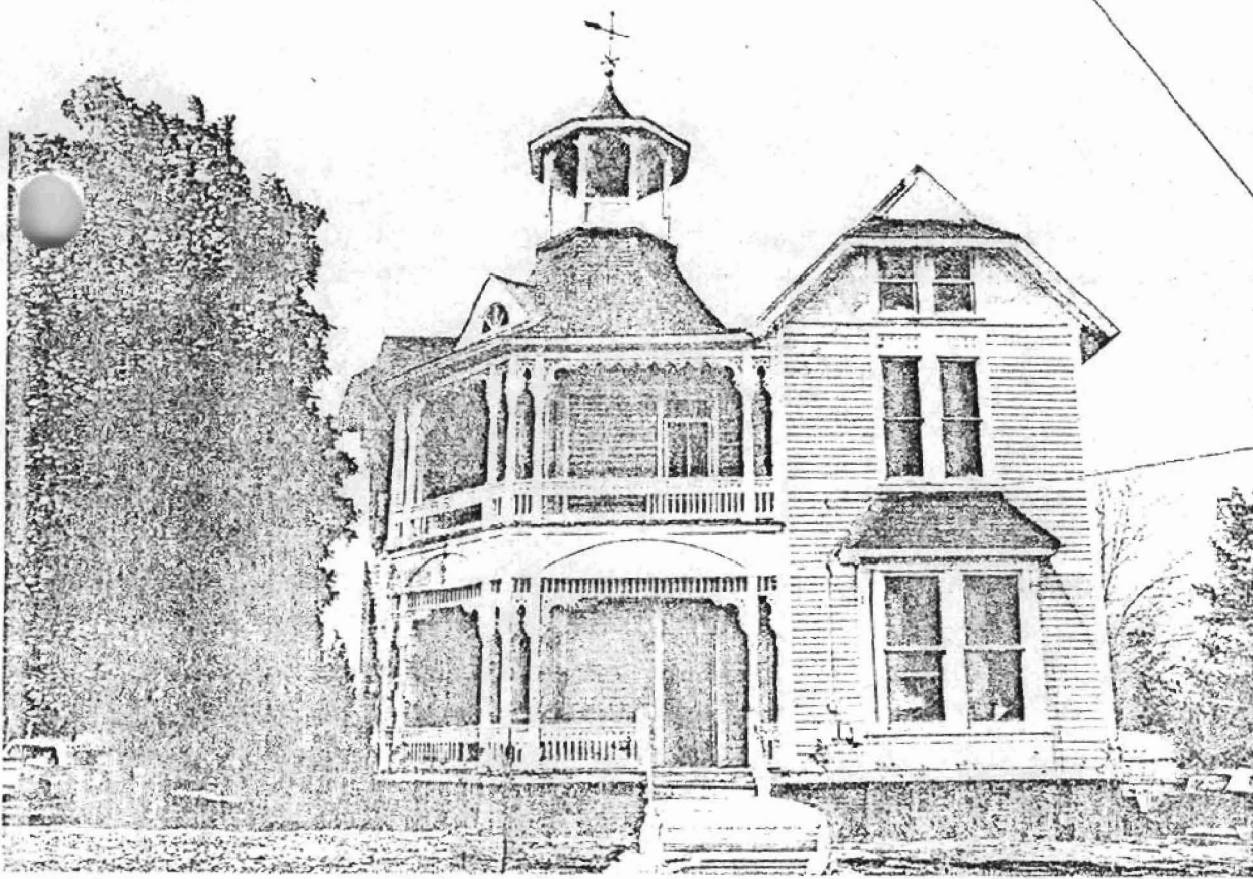
TITLE: State Historic Preservation Officer DATE: 6-10-75

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION ATTEST: _____ DATE _____

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER _____ DATE _____



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PHOTO CREDIT

Dianna Kirk

DATE OF PHOTO

1975

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IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC IF DISTRICT. GIVE BUILDING NAME & STREET

East elevation, viewed from the east

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Arkansas. Built by a Warren druggist about the turn of the century, the Bailey House illustrates both the tastes and finances of a prosperous small-town businessman. The house is an important historic landmark in the Bradley County area.