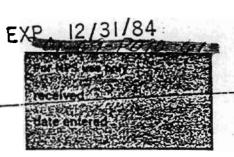
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General Description

Code: JE-056

Name: Temple House

Address: 1702 South Oak

Pine Bluff, Arkansas

County: Jefferson

Congressional District: Fourth

Current Owner: Roy A. Scoggins

Address: 1702 South Oak

Pine Bluff, Arkansas

Architectural Information

Architectural Firm: Sanders

Date of Construction: ca. 1910

Stylistic Influence: Prairie Style

Original Use: Residence

Present Use: Residence

Geographical Information

UTM Reference: 15 591144/3785845

Acreage: Less than one

Verbal Boundary Description:

M. J. Skull Addition

Block 4, Lots 1, 4, 5, & N 3 lot 8

Condition

____Deteriorated ____Ruins Unexposed

<u>x</u> Unaltered Altered

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(1702 S. Oak, Pine Bluff, AR.)

Physical Description

In viewing this house, immediate associations with Frank Lloyd Wright's earliest Prairie Style houses are evident in the striking symmetrical simplicity and the long, unbroken horizontal lines. Elongated so as to accent the horizontality, this two-story, three-bay house, faced with brown brick, has a predictably shallow hipped tile roof with widely overhanging eaves. The long, clean horizontal line of the porch is extended as far as possible, covering a portecochere on the south and accentuating the horizontal orientation. The wide, smooth green lawn surrounding the house and even a fence at the road augment the sensation of flowing horizontality. Decorative details are few. Most notably, a dormer window with curved shed roof and three small multi-paned windows enlivens the front elevation. At its outer edges the porch is supported by wide brick piers and enclosed by a low brick wall with cast stone coping. Flanking the entrance are two simple box columns. The door features beveled plate glass and side lights. The wide sash windows have one-over-one lights.

Statement of Significance

The Temple House at 1702 South Oak in Pine Bluff was designed by Theo Sanders ca. 1910. The flowing horizontal emphasis combined with a symmetrical simplicity lends a strong Prairie Style influence to this house. In addition to the shallow hipped tile roof with wide overhanging eaves, the horizontality of the Temple House continues in the wide porch which extends across the entire facade, covering a porte-cochere on the south elevation. This house echoes the long, clean lines of Frank Lloyd Wright's early Chicago houses and represents one of the most vividly Prairie Style-influenced houses in the collection.

