

INDIVIDUAL DATA SHEET

Property Name Raney House Property Owner W. B. Kennan, Jr.
Location 1331 Monte Ne, Rogers, AR Address 1331 Monte Ne Road
Construction Date 1912 Survey No. 0945 Rogers, AR 72756

DESCRIPTION

The Raney House is a two-story four-square concrete block house with two small side wings, a larger wing at the rear, and a one-story wrap-around porch. The house and several outbuildings were all constructed at the same time, of the same rusticated concrete blocks. The corners of the residential cube are emphasized by concrete block quoins. Four block columns support the one-story wrap-around porch, forming two wide bays on the south (front) facade and two bays on the west. Architraves curve down gracefully at the columns. The house and its cluster of farm buildings are all painted gray with white trim and are sited some distance from the road, surrounded by mature trees and landscaping.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Criterion: CArea of significance: architecture

The Raney House and outbuildings, built 1912, constitute Benton County's most elaborate example of concrete block architecture, which was very popular in this part of Arkansas between 1910 and 1925. In fact, Mr. Raney, who constructed the house, was the leading manufacturer of the concrete-block building materials, and the house served to show his product to its best advantage. The four-square form of the Raney House was an equally innovative feature of early twentieth century residential design in this region. The combination of the form and the material renders this a rare, perhaps unique, example in Arkansas, and that the residence should be accompanied by a variety of ancillary buildings built at the same time in the same material adds to its remarkable status. All elements of the complex seem to have been maintained with much care.

Acreage ~~less than 1 acre~~*See file*Verbal Boundary Description Lot 355, Beaver Shores Unit No. 1Quadrangle Name Rogers, Ark.Quadrangle Scale 1:24000UTM Reference: Zone 15Easting 400730Northing 4019745



