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Historic American Buildings Survey
P. Thornton Marye, District Officer
62 Bartow St., N.W., Atlanta, Georgia

JERRY COWLES HOUSE
Macon, Bibb County, Georgia
Walnut Street

Owner: Scottish Rite Masons. H. G. Hollingsworth, secretary.
Rented and occupied by L. J. Stevens.

Date of Erection: 1830-31.

Architect - Builder: Elam Alexander.

Present Condition: Fair.

Number of Stories: One story and attic. Faces southwest.

Materials of Construction: Foundation brick. Floors wood. Exterior walls brick stuccoed. Interior walls frame and plaster. Metal roof.

Other Existing Records: HABS records by P. Thornton Marye, 1934. Lot bought by Jerry Cowles, Nov. 16, 1830 (Bibb County Deed Bk C., 254); he sold it March 27 1835 (Deed Bk D. 266) to John R. Hayes.

Additional Data: Gable ends have stepped parapet above roof. One story portico with four Ionic columns evenly spaced. Ornate mouldings in entablature of portico and main building. Balustrade parapet across front of roof. Ridge roof. The four windows of facade are inset. Wing added on west after 1885. Stairway to attic between walls of hall and east rooms, entered from back of hall.

Information furnished by Mary Callaway Jones, (Mrs. Frank F. Jones).

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ARCHITECTURAL NOTES:

The Cowles House has several unusual features. The gable end walls of this one storey brick and stucco building rise above the roof and form a curtain between the two chimneys at each side. Across the front roof extends a railing of turned balusters. This railing also covers the roof of the small front Ionic portico with a very classical-looking frieze. Most unusual of all is the breaking up of the main façade with plain pilasters, something like the pilaster strips or buttresses of Romanesque times. These have been placed between the windows.

by Henry Chandlee Forman
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