

roof peek, is one of the most photographed houses in town and has been featured in numerous publications, including National Geographic Magazine.

38. THE PRIEST MILL - Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Budris

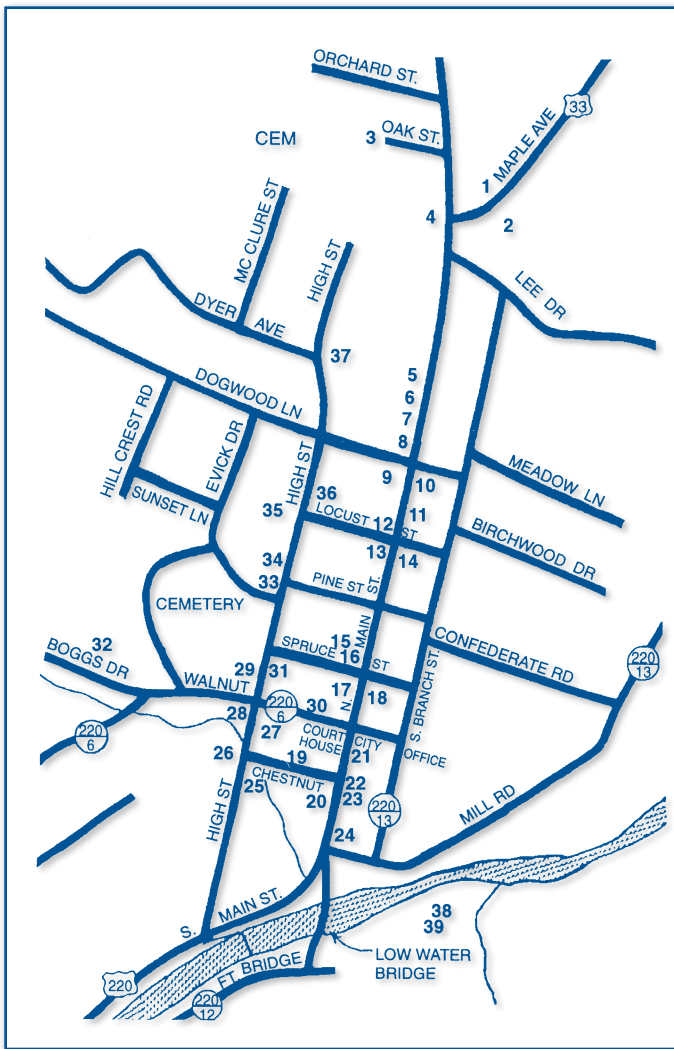


This woodworking and wool carding Mill provided electricity for Franklin at the turn of the century. Quality furniture made by Samuel Priest and his sons is still in use in Franklin homes.

39. THE SAMUEL PRIEST HOME - Mrs. Myrick Smith



Built by Samuel Priest in 1894 where he lived with his five children after his wife died. This large frame house features porches and lovely gingerbread.



WALKING TOUR
of
FRANKLIN
WEST VIRGINIA



In 1985, a portion of Franklin was designated a Historic District by the National Park Service and placed on the National Register of Historic Places as a cultural resource worthy of preservation. The town of Franklin has a significant collection of 19th Century architecture, among which are fine residences of the Queen Anne period. Other distinct styles include Greek Revival, Italianate, Colonial Revival and Folk Victorian.

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1. THE PAUL THACKER HOME - Mrs. Leta Rader



The first prefabricated home in Franklin was ordered from the Sears and Roebuck Catalogue and was constructed in the Tudor Style in the 1930's. Local residents proclaimed that it "would not stand" because it was not built in the traditional manner.

2. THE WILBUR & CORNELIA DOLLY HOME - Mrs. Lillian Brown



Built in 1917 in the Colonial Revival Style by Bernard Marshall, a well-known local carpenter, on the lot where the pioneer home of John and Polly Dice stood. Wilbur Dolly purchased the parcel from the heirs, had the old home removed and the new one built where his family lived until the early 1940's. It was then purchased by Luther Mullenax and is now owned by his daughter.

3. THE GORDON BOGGS HOME - Mrs. Grace Dyer



Originally constructed as a log fort three miles north of Franklin to protect settlers after the Fort Seybert and Upper Tract Indian raids, later moved to town and made into a dwelling by John B. Moomau, this home was the birthplace of Dr. Fred Moomau in 1858. Portholes were evident in the huge logs before it was weather boarded. Professor James

W. Johnson and wife lived in the house for 17 years; in 1904 it became the home of Gordon and Elsie Boggs and remains in the family today.

4. CLAUDE & SARAH BOWMAN HOME - Mrs. Barbara Dolbec



Built in 1916 by Bernard Marshall, this home was entirely constructed of oak lumber in the Colonial Revival Style for Mr. And Mrs. Claude Bowman. Mr. Bowman was a victim of the 1918 flu epidemic and his house was sold in 1919 to Mr. Irving Ritchie. This building presently houses the Chamber of Commerce.

5. WALTER BOWMAN HOME - Mr. & Mrs. Carey Evick - Candle Light Inn



Wilson Bowman built their Victorian house soon after their marriage in 1908, and their initials are carved into the stone foundation. Of special note is that the design for this house built for Walter and for his brother Ernest, Number 8, is the same, except that the floor plan is reversed when viewed from the front.

6. DR. IDE JOHNSON HOME - Mr. & Mrs. Ward Elliott



Built by Dr. Johnson for his family, this Victorian inspired home hosts intricate woodwork and gingerbread.

7. DR. PRESTON BOGGS HOME - Dr. John Allen Mallow



Large frame Queen Anne style, gables trimmed with decorative shingles, elaborate porches and a polygonal tower distinguish this home built by Dr. Preston Boggs in the early 20th century.

8. ERNEST BOWMAN HOME - Mr. & Mrs. Hadley Brown



Influenced by the Victorian period, original construction on this home totaled \$1200. This house has the same floor plan as the one built by his brother, Claude, Number 5.

9. THE HINER HOME - Mr. & Mrs. Carey Evick



C.D. Bowman, cashier of the Franklin Bank, built this large frame home after the turn of the century. Acquired by Mr. And Mrs. Ralph Hiner, local attorney and Speaker of the West Virginia House of Delegates.

10. THE THOMAS BOWMAN HOME - Mr. & Mrs. Thomas (Jeff) Bowman III



A two-story Queen Anne style house with Colonial Revival features and projecting bays and gables and decorative shingle trim was built by Thomas Bowman and has remained in the family.

11. THE HODGES HOME - Ms. Barbara Dolbec - Victorian Inn



Originally a wood working shop built by Samuel Priest and later remodeled by Ike Bolton, Clerk of the County Court. Attorney M.S. Hodges later owned and enlarged this Queen Anne style house featuring semi-hexagonal bays beneath gabled roofs.

12. DR. FRED MOOMAU HOME - Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Thomas



Built by Dr. Fred Moomau in the early 20th century, this two-story late Queen Anne style house has a corner tower and projecting gables including decorative cut shingles and fancy carved trim within the pediment cross gable of the porch roof.

13. THE M. K. BOGGS HOME - Dr. & Mrs. King Seegar



Interesting home with varied history; an inscription in the roof peak dates this structure 1846, and the house was listed as the Johnson Hotel and Tavern in 1873. M.K. Boggs bought and remodeled this house in the 1880's. Influenced by the Italianate style.

14. THE FRANKLIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



The Church Sanctuary was built in 1881 and the Educational Building was added in 1929; the construction of this Church was influenced by Italianate style.

15. THE PENDLETON TIMES OFFICE - Mr. William McCoy, Jr.



Built in the summer of 1924 after the Franklin fire with bricks that were to have been used to build William McCoy's house.

16. THE FRANKLIN BANK - Mr. Eddie Sites



Sites Parts Company

Unusual structure built in the Beaux Arts Style after the fire of 1924 to replace the 1912 structure that had been destroyed. After the bank closed it was used as a WPA office and later as Franklin Post Office.

17. BOWMAN'S STORE - Mr. T. J. Bowman, III



Business dates from 1871 and called Bowman and McClure, the store was totally burned in the Franklin Fire of April 17, 1924. New store was built of bricks fired in Franklin and opened for business October 1, 1925. In the old days this was a general store where one could buy anything from a live chicken to corset stays. Now managed by Rebecca Bowman Lough, it is a full service hardware and appliance store.

18. THE FARMER'S BANK - Mr. & Mrs. Tim Sower



Originally the Farmer's Bank, this was built after the fire of 1924 and closed in 1931. Later became home to the Pendleton County Bank when it was organized in 1937. Masonic Lodge used third floor for many years.

19. PENDLETON COUNTY COURTHOUSE



This has been the site of county government since the organization of the County in 1788. The present Courthouse is the fourth one to be built on this site. It was built in the Neo-Classical style to replace the one destroyed in the fire of 1924. Construction began in 1925 by Snyder Brothers of Keyser and was completed in 1927. The total cost of construction and equipment for the building was \$70,000.

20. ART STUDIO - Mr. & Mrs. Jeffery Bowers -



Bowers Law Office - Built in 1903 with wrap around porches by John and Martha McCoy on farm land that stretched from Franklin to Trout Rock. Each room in this house is sealed with a different type of wood, native to the county. The upstairs housed an art studio at the turn of the twentieth century established by Margaret McCoy upon her return from studies abroad.

21. THE MCCOY HOME - Mr. Browning Boggs



Constructed by slave labor in the Greek Revival style in 1848 for William McCoy, the home was used as a Union headquarters and telegraph office in May 1862 during the Union occupation of Franklin. Union General Milroy planned the Battle of McDowell here. William McCoy was the nephew of General William McCoy who was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives from 1811 to 1833, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, and close friend and trusted advisor of President Andrew Jackson.

22. JOHNSON DRUG STORE - Mr. & Mrs. Enos Horst



Lone Pine Lodging - Storefront office of Dr. Samuel B. Johnson. Later used as a pharmacy by Ed Johnson and Miss Cornelia Johnson, the upstairs office has hosted a number of enterprises including law offices and a ballet school.

23. THE JOHNSON HOME - Mr. & Mrs. Enos Horst



D & E Home Store - Built by Dr. John Dice Johnson, Confederate Civil War Surgeon, this house was dedicated in 1881 along with the Methodist Church. The house is three homemade bricks thick for insulation and the trees were planted so as to provide shade in the summer and light in the winter. A unique icehouse adjoins, where the walls were filled with saw dust for insulation.

24. THE WILSON HOME - Mr. & Mrs. Richard Hevener



This house sold in 1817 for the sum of \$380 and is entirely constructed of log. During the War Between the States, it was the home of John Wilson, and Union Generals slept here during the Union occupation of Franklin in May 1862.

25. THE OMAR JUDY SHOE SHOP - Mrs. Mary Jo Wilfong



This shop was constructed in 1930 from the lumber from the second Franklin Grade School and was built by Wenton E. Judy.

26. THE JOHN SHAW HOME - Ms. Jane Eye



This old house is constructed of log which was later covered with siding accented with elaborate Victorian brackets. Its garage was the original springhouse in Franklin.

27. THE FRANKLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Located on the site of a tan yard, noted architect Stanhope Johnson of Lexington, Virginia designed this Church after one near London and it was constructed from 1918 through 1922. The work went slowly because of the flu epidemic of 1918, which struck many able-bodied men. Bricks for the church were made in a kiln near the location of the High School. As the church remained unfurnished and unheated, services were continued in the old church across the street. Both churches escaped the Franklin fire of April 1924, so the old church was sold to the county for a temporary courthouse. With the money received, pews and furnishings were bought, and the congregation moved.

28. THE DYER/EVICK HOME - Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Propst



Built for Andy Dyer by Kyle Well in 1875 and constructed of stone and stucco in a style influenced by Greek Revival. Later additions and delivery are Folk Victorian.

29. THE DYER/McCLURE HOME - Mrs. Rebecca Bowdy



This most unique house was constructed of log before the Civil War, with a Greek Revival Porch and an 1881 Folk Victorian addition. Dr. Osceola Dyer had the family belongings removed from the house during the Franklin Fire, but fortunately the house was spared.

30. H. M. CALHOUN LAW OFFICE - Mr. William McCoy



McCoy Law Office - Originally the H.M. Calhoun Law office, it was built in the summer of 1924 to replace the one destroyed by the fire of 1924. This building contains lumber and stone from each of the County's six magisterial districts and includes stone from every historic and scenic point in the County.

31. THE EARLY RUDDLE HOME - Mr. & Mrs. Tim Long



Built in the Queen Anne style by Early Ruddle for his family, the roofing tiles are all hand-made and the laundry house is still attached. The family saved this house from the fire by pouring water on the pine knots.

32. THE GENERAL JAMES BOGGS HOME - ROCKDALE



Mr. & Mrs. Fred Mellenax - Constructed of stone by Zebulon Dyer in 1820 for his daughter Mary and her husband James Boggs, this early 19th century two-story farmhouse with two-story porch across the front and large inside brick chimneys was made of stucco over stone construction. Huge fireplaces, hand-hewn sills, beams dressed with Adze held together by wooden pegs make this dwelling unique. General Boggs was a brigadier general in the 46th Virginia Militia, commanding the 18th brigade. At the beginning of the Civil War the 46th became part of the Confederacy and General Boggs was under the direct command of General Stonewall Jackson.

33. THE JOE SKIDMORE HOME - Mr. Max Hartman



Constructed in the National style with Folk Victorian additions and detailing.

34. OLD FIRE HOUSE - Town of Franklin



Constructed of stone in 1940 to house the county's first Volunteer Fire Department. A belfry was built for the old Union Church bell which hung here until moved to the new firehouse in 1988. A public library was located here for several years.

35. THE HEDRICK HOME - Mr. & Mrs. Mike Steele



This old home features a river rock foundation and feather painting on the doors and stairs. An early owner of this home was Robert E. Hedrick whose descendents lived here until 1980.

36. THE WOODROW JOHNSON HOME - Mr. & Mrs. James Teter



Constructed in the Colonial Revival style at the turn of the century by Lloyd Davis and Harry Crigler, this large frame home has a large icehouse on its south wing.

37. THE ANDERSON HOME - Mrs. Kitty Anderson DePoy & Mr. Dyer Anderson



An outstanding example of the Queen Anne style, this home was designed by the owner, Mr. William Anderson, and constructed in 1900 at the cost of \$1000. Lumber was cut on Anderson property and the brick was fired at the site. This house featuring multiple gables, elaborate porches and a polygonal tower and cast iron