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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

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

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC W. P. Hackney House (preferred name)

AND/OR COMMON Jarvis House

C 79/80

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER 417 E. 10th Street

CITY, TOWN Winfield VICINITY OF No. 5, Joe Skubitz

STATE Kansas CODE 20 COUNTY Cowley CODE 035

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME L. F. Jarvis

STREET & NUMBER 417 E. 10th Street

CITY, TOWN Winfield STATE Kansas 67156

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. County Courthouse Register of Deeds

STREET & NUMBER 300 E. 9th Cowley County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN Winfield STATE Kansas 67156

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE None

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN STATE

Reconstructed 2-24-76

# 7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED    DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The W. P. Hackney house in Winfield is a three-story Vernacular style structure with a full basement. The house is approximately 80 feet long and 40 feet wide, including the one-story wing to the rear. The walls are constructed of native limestone laid in a random ashlar pattern. The individual stones are hand hewn and very irregular in size, decreasing in thickness from the first to the third floor. The stone faces are broken, which coupled with the random coursing gives a rugged massive appearance to the residence. The two building corners on the street side are angled rather than square and provide a base for the two chimneys. The main entrance is located on the north side and is a formal affair set into a building projection. The entrance protrudes several feet from the face of the building and extends above the roof line and terminates in a stone gable. The steeply pitched hip roof is covered with wood shingles and has a profusion of dormers. The roof cornice overhangs the wall below and is decorated with ornate exposed rafters painted dark brown to match the cornice. The former roofs are steep wood shingled gables, while the roof over the south wing is a gable similar to the main roof.

Window openings on the first and second floors are generally simple rectangles with double hung sash windows. The window sills are smooth-cut stone while the lintels are decoratively detailed with low-relief designs. The lintels are peaked on the top and extend slightly down each side. An exception to this window style is the second floor window above the main entrance. It is located in an opening which has a semicircular stone arch for the head complete with a keystone. Simple rectangular windows on the third floor appear in the dormers and in the gable above the main entrance. A large wooden bay occurs on the east side and is detailed similar to the main entrance with a wood cornice and simulated pilasters. The two stone chimney masses are enhanced by decorative stone treatment consisting of a recessed niche at the first floor level, a circular cut stone design at the second floor and corbeling above the roof line. The main entrance door is accented by a dominant wood cornice directly above it and by a pair of flanking wood columns. Approach to the main entrance is up a series of stone steps.

In the 1930's two massive wooden porches were removed and one of the fireplaces in the living room was converted into a bookcase. Other minor changes have been made to both the exterior and interior, and reportedly the same architect, William Caton of Winfield, planned all the remodeling so that the original design could be retained. The ornamental iron so evident in early views of the house has also been removed.

# 8 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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

1886

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The W. P. Hackney House in Winfield was built around 1886 for the prominent Kansas lawyer and politician William Patrick Hackney. Born in Iowa in 1842, Hackney served in the Civil War, rising to the rank of captain, and came to Kansas in 1870 and to Winfield in the mid-1870's. He rapidly gained a reputation as an outstanding lawyer. Reportedly his first case, which he won, was as the attorney for settlers whose lands had been taken by claim jumpers. He also represented a group of vigilantes formed to drive organized bands of horse thieves from southern Kansas.

Hackney was elected to a number of terms in the Kansas House of Representatives, representing Sumner county in 1872 and 1874 and Cowley county in 1876 and 1905. From 1881 to 1885 he was a member of the Kansas State Senate. For many years he played an active and influential role in Kansas Republican party politics. Hackney was also elected mayor of Winfield in 1887.

In addition to his activities as a lawyer and legislator, Hackney contributed much to the commercial development of Winfield. He erected more than a dozen buildings, including a large business block erected in 1887-1888.

In his later years Hackney made himself an expert on the American merchant marine and wrote extensively on the subject. A pamphlet entitled "A Merchant Marine and a Marine Insurance Company" published in 1921 reportedly had a leading role in influencing Congress in favor of reforms of the merchant marine.

The Hackney house was described in the Winfield Courier of December 30, 1886, as being "first among the most commodious of the city, modern in exterior and interior, and furnished with a richness and subdued splendor." A 1901 account described it as "the handsomest and most substantial residence in the city." The house was remodeled somewhat in the 1930's, but its general appearance has remained largely unchanged.

The Hackney house is deemed worthy of National Register nomination because of the contributions of W. P. Hackney in Kansas politics and in the development of Winfield and for architectural reasons. The residence is an outstanding example of the influence of Vernacular architecture on Kansas buildings and of the many fine residential structures in south central Kansas. The use of angled corners, massive chimneys and superb stone construction make this home unique.

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## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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UTM REFERENCES

A	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING	B	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING	D	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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## 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE Charley Hall  
 Richard Pankratz

ORGANIZATION Kansas State Historical Society DATE July 24, 1972  
 STREET & NUMBER 120 West Tenth Street TELEPHONE 913-296-3251  
 CITY OR TOWN Topeka STATE Kansas

## 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.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

TITLE Executive Director, Kansas State Historical Society DATE July 24, 1972

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

DATE

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION  
 ATTEST

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

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