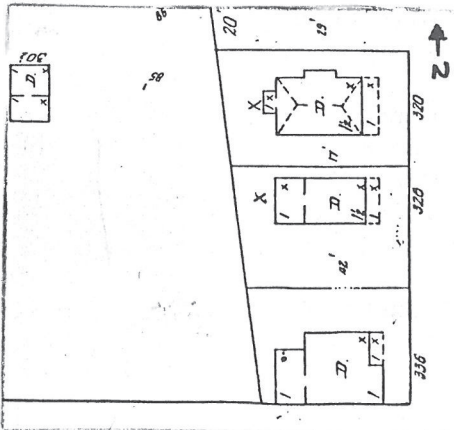


**MONTANA HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL  
INVENTORY FORM**



Roll# 1 Frame# 8

Legal Description: Meili-Almas Addition, Block 9, Part of Lot 4 and Part of Lot 5.

Address: 336 First Avenue

Ownership Name: James Chenoweth

Address: c/o George Toldness, 1053 Grant Avenue, Havre, Montana 59501

private: x

public:

Historic Name: Phillip D. Clack House

Common Name: unknown

Date of Construction: By 1905 (Water record)

Architect: unknown

Builder: probably Phillip D. Clack

Original Owner: Phillip D. Clack (Water record)

Original Use: Single-Family Residence

Present Use: Single-Family Residence

Physical Description:

Single-story, 2 x 2 bay, wood-frame, vernacular Queen Anne cottage. Cross-gable roof over L-shaped plan. Asphalt shingle roof (originally wood-shingle roof that was replaced sometime after 1939). Interior brick chimney. Metal smokestack has recently (c.1970) been introduced. Concrete foundation.

Primary entry is within the corner of the ell and is sheltered by open-air porch. A second entry accessed from the porch has been boarded over since c. 1983. The main body of the structure is sheathed with clapboard, while the gables are sheathed with wood shingles of varying decorative shapes (i.e. scalloped, sawtooth).

The main (E) gable retains a cottage window with Queen Anne detailing, while the porch window has recently (c.1960) been remodeled. North and south facades have a pair of slender 1/1 double-hung wood-sash windows. All windows have molded trim along their lintels.

Enclosed shed-roofed addition first appears on the 1920 Sanborn Map. A small single-story outbuilding appears on the 1910 Sanborn Map but does not show up on subsequent maps.

Site is completely level.

#### Historical Information:

The house was originally owned and lived in by Phillip D. Clack (1877-1958); H. Earl Clack's brother. Phillip Clack came to Montana from Texas in 1898 and began work as a range rider for the Pioneer Cattle Company. He later joined his brother in the draying business. He married Cornelia Timmons in 1902, which approximates the original construction date of this house. It is uncertain exactly when Phillip began working in construction for the H. Earl Clack Co., but his profession is listed as such in the 1929 Polk Directory. He had moved to 451 First Avenue by that time.

In 1915 the Polk Directory for Havre and Hill County lists William A. Murdock, the secretary-treasurer of the Havre Poster Advertising Co. and manager of the Montana Hotel and Grill and Lucy Murdock as residents at this address.

In 1929 the Polk Directory lists this house as owned and lived in by George and Viola Drinkwater. Mr. Drinkwater was a dentist with offices in the Masonic Temple in downtown Havre.

#### Footnote Sources:

Grits, Guts and Gusto: A History of Hill County. Compiled by the Hill County Bicentennial Commission. (Havre: Bear Paw Printers, 1976), p. 235.

Fenton's Directory, Havre and Hill County, 1915-16.

Polk's Directory, Havre and Hill County, 1915-16, 1929-30.

Sanborn Maps: 1910, 1920, 1939.

Conversation with Viola Drinkwater, former resident, January 6, 1988.

Conversation with, James Chenoweth, present owner, January 6, 1988.

Research Sources:

Water Record #36 (1906), Sewer Record #234 (1914), Department of Public Works, City of Havre, Havre, Montana.

Integrity:

Although one of the two entries from the porch has been boarded over recently (within the past five years) this seems to be reversible. The structure retains its historic configuration and a substantial portion of its historic fabric (clapboard siding) and styling details (i.e. Queen Anne-detailed windows, open-air porch with lathe-turned porch posts, decorative wood shingles in the gables).

Significance:

This house is one of the few surviving Queen Anne structures within the proposed historic district and the city as whole. It would qualify for the National Register under criteria C would contribute to the proposed historic district.

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Geographical Information:

Acreage: Less than one acre

USGS Quad: Havre, Montana

UTM's: