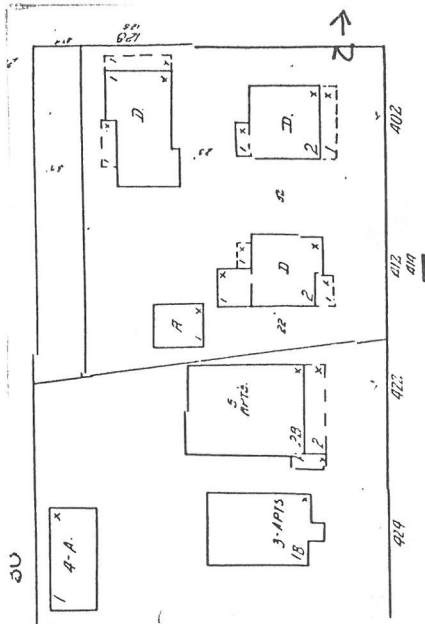


MONTANA HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL
INVENTORY FORM



Roll# 3 Frame# 9

Legal Description: Meili-Almas Addition, Block 7, Part of Lots
1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

Address: 412 Second Avenue

Ownership Name: W. C. Shellenberger

Address: PO Box 488, Havre, MT 59501

private: x

public:

Historic Name: William T. Barrett House

Common Name: Barrett House

Date of Construction: By 1903 (Sanborn Map)

Architect: N/A

Builder: unknown

Original Owner: William T. Barrett

Original Use: Single-family residence

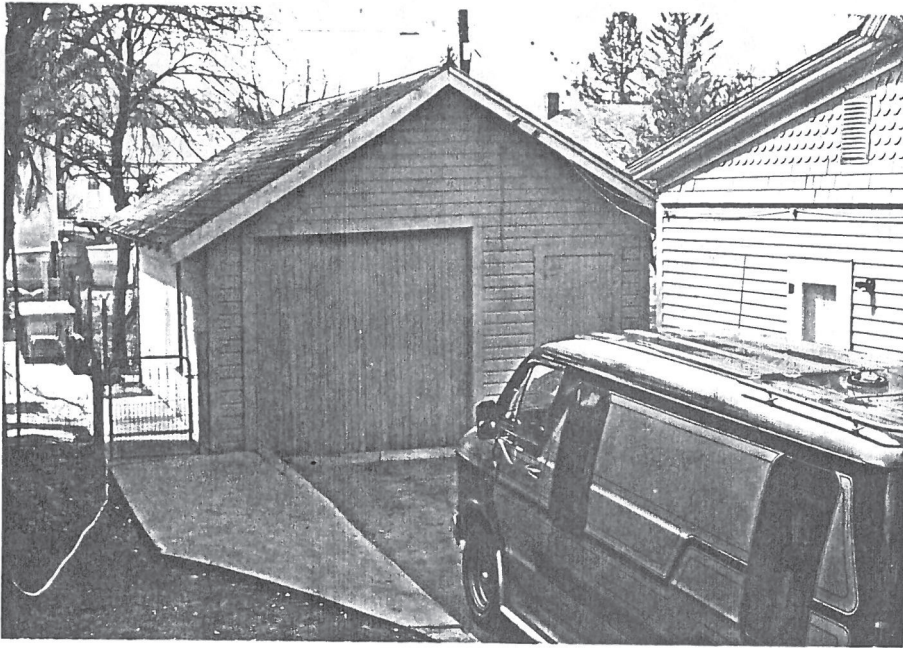
Present Use: Single-family residence

Physical Description:

Two-story, 2 x 2 bay, wood-frame vernacular Queen Anne residence. Steeply-pitched cross gable roof over irregular plan. C. 1940 asphalt shingle roof (originally wood shingle roof). Interior brick chimney. Exterior is sheathed with a combination of clapboard siding and several variations of decoratively sawn (off-set, scalloped, saw-toothed) wood shingles. The main (E) gable tympanum features a sunburst design. Cement foundation.

Windows are 1/1 double-hung and have wood sash and plain wood sill and trim. The second-story window in the main gable is doubled, while the chamfered bay directly below has a cottage window and scroll-shaped decorative corner braces.

Left-side main entry is sheltered by a half-width open-air porch that feature three wooden Doric columns resting on wooden pedestals, wooden landing and wooden latticed skirt underneath. The south facade has a secondary entry. The site itself is completely level.



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Associated structure: Large single-bay garage at the rear (W) of the property that faces east. First appears on 1939 Sanborn Map. Asphalt-shingled (originally wood shingled up until at least 1939) gable roof. Novelty siding. Single-leaf swinging wooden door. Access to Second Avenue is via an asphalt driveway. Stylistically the building appears to have been built more than fifty years ago. This building retains its architectural integrity and historic character and would contribute to the proposed historic district.

Historical Information:

The main house first appears on the 1903 Sanborn. It was first connected to the municipal water system in 1906 while William T. Barrett was the owner. The 1909 Polk Directory lists William T. Barrett, an insurance agent, Mary F. Barrett (widow Thomas R.), Charles T. Barrett, a clerk, and Louis W. Pierson, the proprietor of the Havre Promoter as residents.

By 1912 William P. Pyper had purchased the house. In 1915 this house was lived in by Henry F. and Jeanne C. Meyer. Mr. Meyer was the proprietor of the Hotel Barber Shop. Another resident at the time was William L. Reed, a fireman for the Great Northern Railway.

By 1929 this house was owned and lived in by William C. and Ethel O. McKelvey. Mr. McKelvey was the manager of the Valley Motor Co. Mrs. McKelvey was a biller for the F.A. Buttrey Co.

Footnote Sources:

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

Polk's Directory, Chouteau County, 1909-10.

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

Research Sources:

Assessor's Records, Hill County, Hill County Courthouse, Havre, Montana.

Sanborn Maps: 1903, 1910, 1920, 1939.

Water Record no. 121 (1906) and Sewer Record no. 160 (1912), Department of Public Works, City of Havre, Havre, Montana.

Integrity:

Good. This structure retains much of its original configuration characteristic of the Queen Anne style (steeply pitched gable roofs) and most of its original styling details also indicative of that period and style (i.e. gable sunburst, open-air porch with original wooden porch columns, decoratively-sawn wood shingles, decorative window details.)

Significance:

This building is an important and well-preserved local example of the Queen Anne style in the form of a residence. It would qualify for the National Register under criteria C and would strongly contribute to the proposed historic district.

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Geographical Information:

Acreage: Less than one acre

USGS Quad: Havre, Montana
UTM's: