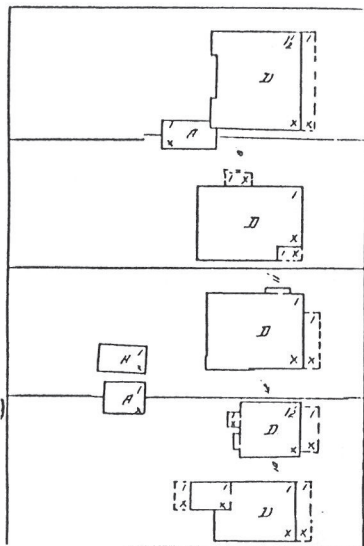
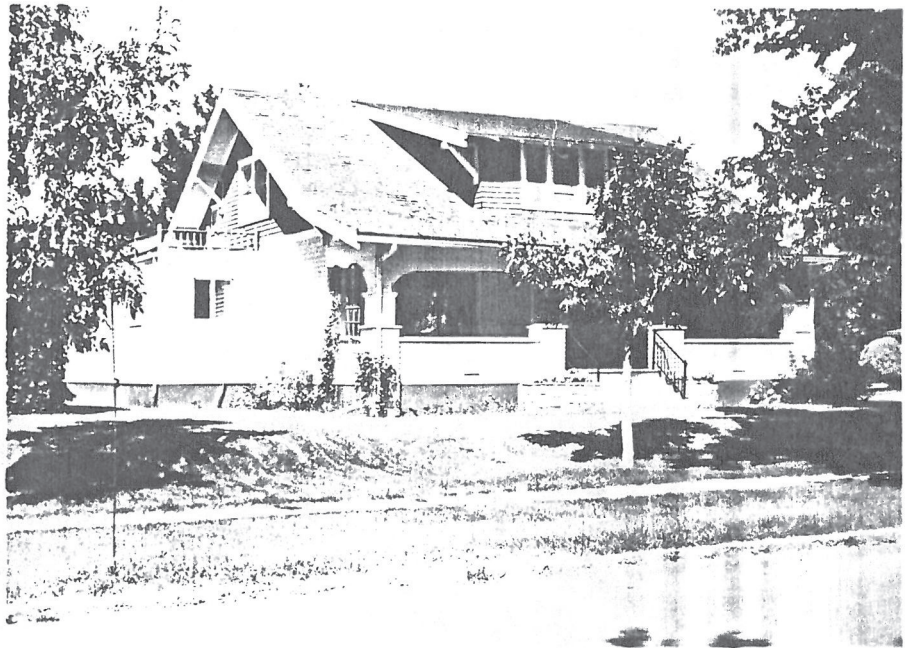


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Legal Description: Second High School Addition, Block 5, lots 1 & 2Address: 900 Fourth AvenueOwnership Name: Leonard MotariAddress: 900 Fourth Avenue, Havre, MT 59501

private: x

public:

Historic Name: L.D. Williams HouseCommon Name: UnknownDate of Construction: 1916 (Assessor's records)Architect: UnknownBuilder: UnknownOriginal Owner: Dr. L.D. WilliamsOriginal Use: Single-family ResidencePresent Use: Single-family ResidencePhysical Description:

One and one-half story wood frame craftsman bungalow. Gable roof over square plan. 3 x 3 bay. Wood shingle roof. Brackets and exposed rafters. Shed roof dormer on east. Dormer has brackets and exposed rafters. Bevel siding with shingle siding on second story. Raised concrete foundation with daylight basement. Interior brick chimney.

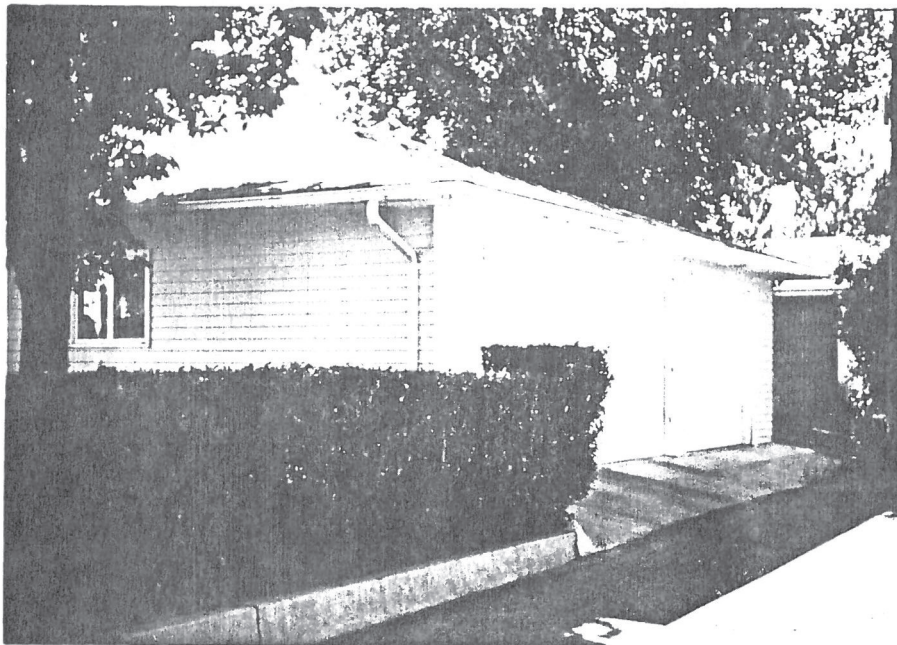
Open porch covers facade. Porch bays are arched and roof is

supported by decorative square wood columns resting on bevel clad piers. Entry is central to facade and is reached through porch. Concrete steps are flanked by rubblestone planter abutments and wrought iron railings.

1/1 double-hung sash windows on both levels except for facade where they have been replaced with recent large picture windows. Daylit basement has casement windows. Dormer windows have recent aluminum screen additions.

Attached garage was constructed in 1928 by Christ Fuglevand. It is flat roofed with wood railing running along roofline. It has since been converted into an addition to the house with sliding casement windows.

Site is slightly raised and bermed to level of sidewalk.



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Associated Structure: Detached two-bay garage with hipped roof facing Ninth Street. Clapboard siding and casement windows. Asphalt shingled roof. Overhead doors. Garage was constructed within the last fifty years and therefore would not qualify for inclusion on the National Register.

Historical Information

According to the water and sewer records, L.D. Williams was the original owner of this house. Dr. Williams founded a private hospital located above the Security State Bank on Third Avenue. The hospital was equipped with the most modern equipment then available and employed a nurse who had recently graduated from nursing school in Minnesota. The hospital had a ten bed

capacity.¹

In August, 1911, Williams bought the lots for this² house from Dr. J.A. Wright, who had just opened this subdivision.² In 1913, the Havre Plaindealer stated that Dr. Williams was contemplating building a home on the site during the summer of 1913.³

In 1920, an exceptionally strong wind storm caused heavy damage to the house when it was partially unroofed during the storm. The wind and rain then damaged⁴ to the furniture of the house. Earl Becwar was the owner.

By 1929, Henry and Elizabeth Kline had purchased the house. Kline was a lawyer with offices located on First Street.

In 1928, Elizabeth Kline was issued a building permit to construct a garage for \$250.

Footnote Sources:

1. Havre Plaindealer, February 12, 1910.
2. Ibid, August 12, 1911.
3. Ibid, May 31, 1913.
4. Ibid, June 26, 1920.

Polk Directory, Havre and Chouteau County, 1909.

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

Sanborn Maps, 1910, 1920 and 1939.

Building Permit no.1166, dated May 5, 1928. Department of Public Works, City of Havre, Havre, Montana.

Research Sources:

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

Water Record no.685 (1916) and Sewer Record no.383, Department of Public Works, City of Havre, Havre, Montana

Integrity:

This structure retains its original configuration, historic fabric and many distinctive features indicative of its craftsman styling.

Significance:

This building maintains a high level of architectural integrity

and would strongly contribute to the proposed Historic District. It would qualify for the National Register under criteria C as a good local example of a craftsman-styled bungalow built in Havre during the period of its greatest economic and demographic expansion from 1913 to 1917.

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Geographical Information

Acreage: Less than one acre

USGS Quad:

UTM's: