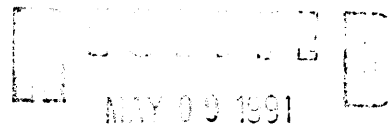


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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service



NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

NATIONAL
REGISTER

1. Name of Property

historic name: Foust, Perry, House

other name/site number: Grenfell House

2. Location

street & number: 401 Mission

not for publication: n/a
vicinity: n/a

city/town: Stevensville

state: Montana code: MT county: Ravalli code: 081 zip code: 59870

3. Classification

Ownership of Property: Private

Category of Property: Building

Number of Resources within Property:

| Contributing | Noncontributing |
|--------------|-------------------|
| <u>1</u> | _____ building(s) |
| _____ | _____ sites |
| _____ | _____ structures |
| _____ | _____ objects |
| <u>1</u> | _____ Total |

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: 0

Name of related multiple property listing: Historic Resources of Stevensville, Montana: 1866-1941.

4. Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination ___ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets ___ does not meet the National Register Criteria.

Maudie Elly Montana SHPO 4-5-91
Signature of certifying official Date

MONTANA STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property ___ meets ___ does not meet the National Register criteria.

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

___ See Continuation Sheet

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

**Entered in the
National Register**

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___ See Continuation Sheet

___ determined eligible for the National Register _____

___ determined not eligible for the National Register _____

___ See Continuation Sheet

___ removed from the National Register _____

___ See Continuation Sheet

___ other (explain): _____

for
Signature of Keeper

Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic: Domestic/single dwelling

Current: Domestic/single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification: Other: Vernacular/pyramidal cottage

Materials: foundation: stone
 walls: wood
 roof: asphalt shingle
 other: weatherboard

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The Perry Foust house at 401 Mission is a single-story, low hip-roofed cottage with a rather irregular foot print. Built in 1902, the house is a well preserved example of a typical, distinctive vernacular building type. A full width front porch with chamfered support posts and a spindle frieze spans the primary elevation, which faces east toward Mission Street. The roof is covered with composition shingles and the house is sided with clapboard. The house sets on a rubble stone foundation and has a central brick chimney. The wing to the north of the house is part of the original design, although the rear additions were later, albeit compatible, constructions.

The windows throughout the house are wooden 2-over-2 double-hung sash, with the exception of the cottage window with a stained glass upper panel located on the east (primary) elevation. All of the windows have simple molded architraves and entablatures. Exterior wall surfaces are defined by a wide wooden water table, corner boards and a wooden frieze beneath the boxed cornice. The main entrance door is wooden with a single light.

It appears that the rear additions were built in at least three stages. Between the original portion of the house and the rear-most gable-roofed addition was an open porch, which appears to have been enclosed only recently with glass. The foundation of the rear portion of the house is of poured concrete, but otherwise the use of materials is consistent with those of the front, original portion. The windows of the rear additions are smaller scale 1-over-1 double-hung units.

The Perry Foust House retains a high degree of integrity. The hipped-roof addition that protrudes to the west was likely constructed shortly after the completion of the main core structure due to the similarity of window treatment, siding and other features. The original wood shingle roof has been replaced by composition shingles. The small additions to the rear intrude somewhat upon the original structure. The building was owned by the Foust family for fifty years.

A very small contemporary, prefabricated storage shed is located at the northwest corner of the property. It is plywood with a shed roof covered with composition shingles. A door is located at the center of the south side. The shed is of such insubstantial size and scale it is not included as part of the resource count.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: Locally

Applicable National Register Criteria: C

Areas of Significance: Architecture

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions): n/a

Period(s) of Significance: 1902

Significant Person(s): n/a

Significant Dates: 1902

Cultural Affiliation: n/a

Architect/Builder: Foust, Perry

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

This building is an excellent example of the small pyramid-roofed cottage, of which there are many in Stevensville. It retains a high degree of integrity and has been well maintained. Built in 1902 by Perry Foust, who was an active carpenter in Stevensville for over twenty-five years, it is one of the few pyramid roof houses whose builder has been identified. It is possible that Foust built several of the smaller Stevensville artisan houses similar to this one.

In November, 1901, Perry Foust purchased lots 1 and 2 of block 29 and the adjoining lots to the south from J.D. Miser, the Stevensville druggist. Foust, a carpenter, apparently had wedding plans, for during the following year he built this cottage.¹ In February, 1903, he married Florence Chapman, and the couple moved into the home "the groom made ready for the bride on Mission Street." The newspaper also noted that Mr. Foust was "an expert engineer and sawyer and is held in high esteem by his acquaintances."²

The house remained in the Foust family until 1952. The 1910 U.S. Census record indicates that the Fousts had two children, Ruth and Lee. Perry Foust died in 1933 and the house apparently remained with Florence and Ruth, who sold it in 1952 to Dayton Lockridge and his wife.³

The original house consisted of the core structure with the north wing. The west wing, built on a concrete foundation, was added at an early date, perhaps when the children were born and more space was needed. The window trim and siding matches that of the central core.

¹Stevensville Register, October 8, 1902.

²Ibid., February 18, 1903.

³Chain of Title.

9. References

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Previous documentation on file (NPS):

preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
 previously listed in the National Register
 previously determined eligible by the National Register
 designated a National Historic Landmark
 recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
 recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary Location of Additional Data:

State historic preservation office
 Other state agency
 Federal agency
 Local government
 University
 Other -- Specify Repository:

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property: Less than one acre

| UTM References: | Zone | Easting | Northing |
|-----------------|------|---------|----------|
| | 11 | 722800 | 5154440 |

Verbal Boundary Description:

Stevensville Townsite, Block 29, Lots 1 and 2.

Boundary Justification:

The nominated property includes the lots upon which the historic building is situated.

11. Form Prepared By

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| Name/Title: Frank Grant | Date: revised October 1990 |
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