## MONTANA HISTORICAL/ARCHITECTURAL INVENTORY #22

HISTORIC NAME: Newman House

ADDRESS: 216 N. Church

LEGAL BOUNDARY: Babcock and Davis Blk 2

Lots 7 and 8

OWNER'S NAME: David and Carolyn Swingle

OWNER ADDRESS: 216 N. Church SPECIFIC DATE: 1890-1891 ARCHITECT: Unknown

BUILDER: Chester, Thomas, and

Stephen Newman (attributed)

ORIGINAL OWNER: Stephen Newman

ORIGINAL USE: residence PRESENT USE: residence

UTM REFERENCE: 12/497750/5058680

ACREAGE: less than one U.S.G.S. OUAD: Bozeman, 1953

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Applicable Criteria: C

Number of Contributing Properties: 1



One of the few excellent examples of the Queen Anne style in Bozeman, this house is in a pristine state of preservation. It was built by one or more of the three carpenters in the Newman family - all of whom came here from New York and all of whom were presumably brothers. The house qualifies for independent listing in the National Register of Historic Places as a distinctive example of carpenter-built, vernacular Queen Anne design of the late 19th century period.

Chester D. Newman came to Bozeman in 1878, and in around 1885 built the quite similar house next door at 210 N. Church. This house is not included in this nomination due to fairly singificant alterations. In 1879, Thomas Newman arrived, and in 1884, Stephen B. Newman came West. This house was built in 1890. Both Thomas and Stephen Newman are listed as the residents here in the 1892 city directory, while Stephen Newman is listed here alone in the 1900 directory. By 1904-5, Stephen Newman had moved to Livingston and J.A. Nordquist, whose name appears on the 1907 sewer permit for this house, may have been the next occupant.

## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

This detached two story single-family residence has an L-shaped plan with a hipped roof open porch in the interior of the ell. The porch features a spindle railing and fretwork and turned wooden post supports. There are two entrances on the front (west) facade, each are paneled wooden doors with single lights. The windows in the structure are double-hung one-over-one double hung sash with two-over-two wooden storm windows. The frame construction is finished in clapboard and the gable roof (with shed roof to the rear) is covered with wood shingles. Corner boards are finished with decorative capitals at the eave line. The gable ends feature decorative shinglework and scroll and spindle vergeboard.

## BIBLIOGRAPHY:

City Directories: 1892-3, p.138; 1900; 1944-5, p. 145.
Application for Sewer Connection: Sept. 13, 1907, J.A. Nordquist.
Sanborn Maps, 1890, 1891.

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