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National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

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SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 95000223

Date Listed: 3/10/95

House at 1610 South G Street
Property Name

Pierce
County

WA
State

Hilltop Neighborhood MPS
Multiple Name

This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

Paul R. Lunge
Signature of the Keeper

3/10/95
Date of Action

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Amended Items in Nomination:

Classification:

The historic wood-frame garage was incorrectly entered on the form as a structure. The nomination has been revised to change its classification to a contributing building.

This information was confirmed with Lauren McCroskey of the WA SHPO.

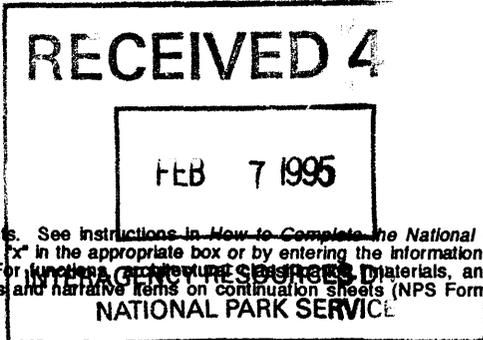
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National Register property file
Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)

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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form



This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "X" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For ~~unpublished~~ ~~architectural~~ ~~historical~~ ~~materials~~, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name 1610 South G Street
other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 1610 S. G Street not for publication
city or town Tacoma vicinity
state Washington code WA county Pierce code 053 zip code 98405

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this 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 meets does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Mary M. Sampson 1/31/95
Signature of certifying official/Title Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet

determined eligible for the National Register.
 See continuation sheet

determined not eligible for the National Register.

removed from the National Register.

other (explain:)

Signature of the Keeper Paul R. Ferguson Date of Action 3/10/95

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County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not incl. previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Non-Contributing	
1	0	buildings
0	0	sites
1	0	structures
0	0	objects
2	0	Total

Name of related multiple property listing:
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

Hilltop Neighborhood

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

0

6. Functions or Use

Historic Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling

Current Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)

BUNGALOW/CRAFTSMAN

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation CONCRETE

walls WOOD: weatherboard

WOOD: shingle

roof ASPHALT: composition

other

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria
(Mark "X" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations
(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance
(Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT

Period of Significance

1911-1945

Significant Dates

1911

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

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 Engineering Record# _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other
- Name of repository: _____
- City of Tacoma OHP

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County and State

10. Geographical Data

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UTM References

(Place additional UTM References on a continuation sheet.)

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Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items.)

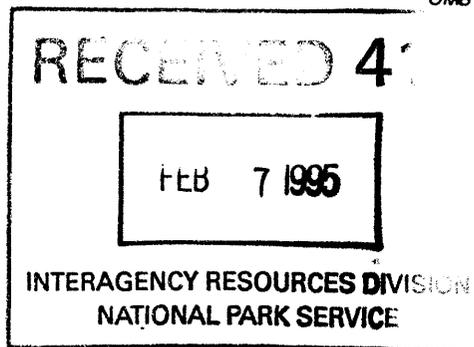
Property Owner (Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name _____
street & number _____ telephone _____
city or town _____ state _____ zip code _____

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Pierce County, WA

Hilltop Neighborhood MPN

Description

This single story wood frame residence was built in 1910. The house represents the "single dwelling" property subtype of the property type "Residential Resources" described in the Hilltop Neighborhood Multiple Property Nomination. A Bungalow/Craftsman structure with numerous Craftsman details, the house stands in the Hilltop's southeast quadrant. Little altered since its construction, and continually used as a single residence, the home has retained the characteristic features of its type, and is an outstanding example of residences built during the second wave of development in the Hilltop.

SETTING

Set on the western side of S. G Street, 1610 S. G Street enjoys commanding views of Mount Rainier and the Puyallup tide flats. The neighborhood historically consisted of modest single dwellings, with some later development of small-scale multiple dwellings. However, contemporary multiple dwellings have been constructed in the vicinity and a number of historic buildings have been lost. S. G Street runs along the Hilltop's steep eastern slope, and the properties on its western side sit high above the street on parts of the lots leveled to create a buildable site. Set on several 25' wide lots, 1610 S. G is surrounded by a large landscaped yard which includes several older fruit trees. A flight of concrete steps mounts the front embankment, leading to the home's dominant front porch entrance. At the rear of the property, the grade slopes steeply up to the alley. A small historic wood frame gable garage building abuts the alley.

EXTERIOR

Rectangular in plan, the building exhibits many features typically associated with Bungalow/Craftsman design. Numerous projections extend from the basic side gable roof. The south gable extends flush to the east with a narrower gable over a three-sided bay window. Two similar gable dormers project from the roof: one on the southern part of the main facade roof and one just north of center on the rear roof. The front dormer has had skylights added. The bargeboards of the gable curve gently at the eaves reflecting a Japanese influence frequently associated with the bungalow designs. An asphalt shingle roof has replaced the original wood shingles. Dramatic scalloped end brackets visually extend the roof beams and support the broad eaves.

A cross gable projecting porch roof extends across the northern half of the main (east) facade. Square corner posts sit on raised brick piers and support the porch roof with its simple continuous wood frieze. The porch has a brick foundation with piers extending to the porch railing level. Steps extend across the southern half of the porch. A second porch is at the rear in the northwest corner. A single square wooden corner post supports this cut-out porch.

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The exterior of the building is finished with square cut shingling in alternating band widths. Below the first story, a continuous wooden watertable tops a concrete foundation. Windows are typically trimmed with simple wood jambs, sills, and cornices that have small decorative cap trim. On the front facade, a large window with a leaded glass transom is framed by narrow double-hung sidelights. Above, the front dormer features a three part casement window with multi-paned sash. On the other facades, windows are typically one over one double hung grouped in pairs of two, or smaller windows lighting secondary spaces. The original wood entry door is inset with a large single pane of glass.

INTERIOR

The interior plan, trim, and finishes of the house are little altered. The front door opens to a central vestibule. From this space, larger openings pass into the living room and opposite into the dining room. Opposite the entry is a framed passageway to a central hall from which doors open to two ground floor bedrooms, a bathroom, the kitchen, and a door to the stairs to the finished attic.

The front dining room has an exposed beam ceiling, now painted. Continuous stained clear fir paneling in this room extends to a plate rail height; no plate rail presently exists, but one might have been removed some time ago. The vestibule, living room, hall and first floor bedrooms all have stained clear fir trim around window and doors and all remaining doors in these rooms are original stained fir. In southwest bedroom the trim has been painted. The rear kitchen retains little historic fabric. A small eating nook/pantry with a single double hung window is adjacent to the kitchen. Steps from the kitchen lead to the full basement. Stairs from the hall lead to an attic landing in the rear dormer. From the landing, two doors open to separate rooms which utilize the under roof attic area. Original stained fir windows and doors remain throughout the upper floors.

Statement of Significance

This classic bungalow is primarily significant architecturally as a representative single dwelling from the Hilltop's second phase of development. An infill structure added to a neighborhood in the Hilltop which was initially developed before the turn of the century, 1610 is secondarily significant for its association with the formation of the Hilltop Neighborhood. Within the framework of the Hilltop Neighborhood Multiple Property Nomination, the structure is significant in the context Branching Out: 1900-1930. However, the building's specific period of significance-1910 to 1945 -reflects the continued occupation of the home by the original owners throughout the time frame considered by the Hilltop MPN.

1610 S. G Street's integrity of design, materials, and setting make it an excellent example of a typical single home built during the second phase of the Hilltop's development. As described in the previous section, the home maintains its original and characteristic bungalow features.

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Statement of Significance, cont.

The property also reveals important information about the development patterns of the Hilltop. The fact that the builder elected to insert a very contemporary home into an already developed area of the Hilltop illustrates the point made in the Hilltop Neighborhood MPN context statement that the neighborhood developed in a leapfrog pattern initially, with open lots later filled in by individual builders. The construction of 1610 also indicates that the eastern edge of the Hilltop was viewed as an attractive residential neighborhood even as Tacoma's far-flung streetcar suburbs expanded.

No architect or builder has been identified for this home. However, in the early 1900s, bungalow plans were widely published and available, and the design may have been inspired by one of the many magazines and books promoting the virtue of bungalow living. Property records indicate that this home was constructed in 1910, while the property was owned by Carl and August Anderson. Carl Anderson was an engineer and active land speculator who lived at E. 66th and C Streets at the time the home was built.

In 1911, Abraham and Sadie Rose purchased the home. The Roses' decision to purchase the house must have been influenced by its proximity to Mr. Rose's shop. Abraham Rose, a Yiddish speaking Russian Jewish immigrant, had come to the United States in 1900. He arrived in Tacoma in 1904. After settling in Tacoma in 1904, Rose and partner Abraham Greenbaum opened a clothing store. Several years later, Rose briefly had a business as a pawnbroker, and in 1910, opened a jewelry store at 1315 Pacific Avenue. At some point in these years, he married his wife Sadie, who immigrated in 1905.

During their time in Tacoma, the Roses had moved steadily up the hill away from the downtown core. In 1907, they lived at 1337 Commerce Street; by 1909, they had moved to 1742 S. E Street. Finally, in 1911 the Roses settled two blocks further up the street at 1610 S. G Street. In the 1910s, the surrounding homes on S. G Street were occupied by people who had immigrated to Tacoma from many countries and from every region in the United States. Neighbors worked for Tacoma's restaurants, maritime trades, factories, railroads, and construction companies. The Roses lived in the house until 1952. Later, the Fujitani family lived in the home. From 1958-1981 the house served as the parsonage for the nearby Japanese Methodist Church.

Bibliography

Polk's City of Tacoma Directories
U.S. Federal Census, 1920.

Verbal boundary description

Lots 4-6 and the north 5' of Lot 7, Block 1614, New Tacoma, including part of the alley.

Verbal boundary justification

The nominated property includes the entire parcel historically associated with the property.