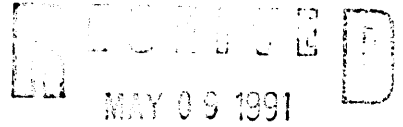


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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

NATIONAL
REGISTER

1. Name of Property

historic name: Metcalf House

other name/site number:

2. Location

street & number: 214 Pine Street

not for publication: n/a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: Buildings

Number of Resources within Property:

Contributing	Noncontributing
<u>2</u>	_____ building(s)
_____	_____ sites
_____	_____ structures
_____	_____ objects
<u>2</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.

maude shay MT SHPO 4-8-91
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~~

entered in the National Register Al Claus Bjorn 6/19/91

___ 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): _____

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Signature of Keeper

Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic: Domestic/single dwelling

Current: Domestic/single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification: Late 19th and Early 20th Century American Movements: Craftsman

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

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The Metcalf House is a 1½-story, wood-framed residence built in a simplified style. Set on a narrow corner lot, the house is rectangular in form and oriented toward Pine Street to the west. The massing is simple, with a horizontal emphasis achieved through the broad gable roof which runs the length of the house. The house is sided in contrasting widths of clapboard siding, with narrow reveal siding above and common width siding below. These claddings are accented by cornerboards, and a continuous sill which ties to the window sills and the front porch rails. The roof is shingled in asphalt and accented by projecting eaves with exposed rafters. An interior brick chimney is located in the east end, on the south-facing roof slope. The house sets on an ashlar-faced, cast concrete block foundation.

The fenestration is characterized by a variety of windows, generally with wide wooden framing and a simple cornice across the heads. Standard, vertical sash, 1-over-1 windows with 2-over-2 wooden storms are used throughout with the exception of the two single-light cottage windows which have leaded stained glass transoms that flank the front entrance.

The west facade is dominated by a projecting entry porch, which is set off-center. This open porch is covered by a gable roof supported by square posts at each corner. The porch apron is sided in weatherboard. The front door is a modern replacement and is offset under the porch roof. To the north, the porch is visually balanced by a cottage style fixed window, with a leaded upper panel in a diamond pattern.

A projecting gabled dormer above a large, fixed panel window adds interest and emphasis on the south elevation. The gable peak frames a small, square window, reminiscent of that on the front porch. Other units on this elevation include a square, single-pane fixed window, that appears to have replaced a pair of double-hung units.

A full-width, enclosed sunporch was added to span the east (rear) elevation in ca. 1930. A series of fixed 1-over-1 window units, alternating with narrow, 1-over-1 sash units for ventilation, form a continuous window banding. Rear entry is through a combination paneled/triple-pane door offset to the south. The shed-roofed porch is shingled in wood. The apron below the porch windows is clad in vertical T-111. Above the porch, a standard, 1-over-1, double-hung sash window is centered under the gable end.

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Metcalf House

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The Metcalf House retains a high degree of architectural integrity. It remains in its original Pine Street location with only minor alterations to the original simplified Craftsman Bungalow style. The roof has been reshingled in asphalt. The rear sunporch, although added ca. 1930, not within the established period of significance, is highly complementary to the original design, and in harmony with the typical Craftsman emphasis on porches. A contemporary, combination fixed/casement window detracts from the integrity of the south wall. In addition, an aluminum door has replaced the original garage door. These changes, however, do not significantly detract from the strong overall historic character of the property.

On the north elevation, fenestration includes two standard, 1-over-1, double-hung sash windows, and a small 1-over-1, double-hung window toward the rear.

Outbuilding

A rectangular, single-story, gable-roofed garage is located on the southeast corner of the property. The roof is shingled in wood with flashing along the ridgeline and hip knobs at each peak. The garage is sided in weatherboard.

The south elevation has a contemporary aluminum garage door centered in the wall. The east and north elevations have no openings. The west elevation has a paneled door at the south end and a square, 1-over-1 double-hung window at the north end.

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: ca. 1914

Significant Person(s): n/a Significant Dates: ca. 1914

Cultural Affiliation: n/a Architect/Builder: unknown

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

The Metcalf House is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under criterion C, as a well-preserved example of modest Craftsman style architecture. The design, scale, materials, and workmanship are all characteristic of residential construction in Stevensville during the early 20th century. The house is typical of Craftsman styling, with a typical horizontality achieved through the broad, moderately-pitched roof, square and horizontal fenestration rhythms, and contrasting sidings--in this case, contrasting widths of clapboards and ashlar-faced concrete block. Emphasis on porches, exposed rafter ends and decorative dormers are all common embellishments.

Ashlar-faced concrete block achieved a level of popularity in the Stevensville vicinity from about 1906-1916. The material was quite common on buildings reflecting Bungalow/Craftsman stylistic influences. The foundation construction of this house reflects that historical pattern.

Currently, the Metcalf House conveys a strong sense of its historic associations and architectural origins. The house, outbuilding and original corner location all combine to accurately reflect the era of the 1910s in Stevensville, when the Craftsman style achieved popularity.

Background History

This house appears to have been constructed by H. A. Metcalf after he purchased the property in December of 1914. Metcalf owned the property until 1923, when he sold it to Roy Metcalf. Roy Metcalf retained ownership until 1945. Unfortunately, there are no records documenting the exact construction date, the builder or the original owner.

The use of ashlar-faced concrete blocks for the foundation suggests the house was built when this style of construction was popular (ca. 1906-1916). The material became commonplace in Stevensville after 1906, when D.T. Bliss began to manufacture these blocks locally, in part responding to a local fire-prevention ordinance, limiting the use of flammable materials in new construction. D.C. Cannon, a concrete building contractor, who bought out Bliss' business in 1907, manufactured blocks and constructed many buildings in the townsite with this material.

9. References

Abstract of Title, Lots 11 & 12, Block 12, Stevensville Townsite
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Missoulian, Missoula, Montana, December 15, 1912; June 12, 1949; August 14, 1949.
Sanborn Fire Insurance Company maps, Stevensville, Montana, 1909, 1927.
Stevensville Historical Society, Montana Genesis (Missoula: Mountain Press, 1971).
Stevensville Register, Stevensville, Montana, Special Edition, December 23, 1909.
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Negative File: W. Elevation, Sleeve 2, Row 5, Neg. #22

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	723880	5154590

Verbal Boundary Description:

Stevensville Townsite, Block 25, Lots 1 and 2.

Boundary Justification:

The nominated property includes the lots upon which the historic buildings are situated.

11. Form Prepared By

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