

# DAYTON HISTORIC RESOURCE INVENTORY

ASSESSOR MAP NUMBER: 4-3-17 DA TAX LOT NUMBER: 7000

PLAT NAME: Original Town of Dayton LOT: Part of 219 & 220 BLOCK: NA

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 310-2 Ferry Street

CURRENT OWNER: Valera Murphy

10050 SE Wallace Rd., Dayton, OR

ORIGINAL OWNER: Charles McNamar Contributing: 1

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown

STYLE OF ARCHITECTURE: Commercial Style YEAR BUILT: c. 1912

HISTORIC NAME: McNamar Building HISTORIC USE: Restaurant & Barber Shop

CURRENT NAME: Sportsman Club and Cuby-hole Barber Shop CURRENT USE: Tavern & Barber Shop

CONDITION: Fair-Good ALTERATIONS: Minor-Moderate

PHOTOGRAPH ROLL-FRAME: 4-31 INTERVIEWEE: \_\_\_\_\_

RESOURCE NUMBER: 11 RECORDER: Rees DATE: 9-17-84

SITE DESCRIPTION:

THEME: Commerce

The McNamar Building faces northwest onto Ferry Street between 3rd and 4th Streets, Dayton's commercial mainstreet. The building is sited on the front and side property lines and extends approximately half the depth of the lot. Two young maple trees have been planted recently in the sidewalk area near the side property lines.

Less than one acre.

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ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

The McNamar Building is a rectangular, one story structure with an asymmetrical two bay front facade. The red brick building has a parapet across the front with an ornamental cornice which is detailed with dentiles, soldier coursing and corbels. The small barbershop storefront to the north appears to be intact. It is composed of a three light, transom window across the top of the bay, a single, fixed wood sash window with a wood panel below to the north and a wood frame glass door with transom above to the south. The larger storefront to the south has been covered over with plywood and small aluminum sash, slider windows have replaced the storefront windows. However, the transom windows across the top of the bay and the wood panels below the original storefront windows appear to be intact. The brick below the cornice has been painted blue. The building measures 29' x 60'.

## HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION:

The McNamar Building was built after the fire of 1906 on the former site of the Armstrong and Baxter Livery Stable. From a composite of county deed records for the property, Sanborn maps and city directories, it appears that the building was constructed in 1912 or 1913 for Charles W. McNamar, a lawyer and proprietor of the Dayton Opera House (Resource #10). McNamar, who lived in Dayton from about 1912 until 1915 sold the property in March 1914 to Lester Shippy, the owner of a general merchandise store located in the Commercial Club-Stuckey Building (Resource #13). Ross S. Watson, a druggist, subsequently owned the property from October 1915 until 1921. Watson, a native of Dayton, was the son of John Watson an early Dayton merchant (hardware and house furnishings) and the younger brother of Clifford Watson, a local carpenter. In November 1924, the property was acquired by Albert M. Detmering, brother of August C. Detmering; together the Detmering brothers had owned a general merchandise store in Dayton from 1893 until 1897. Descendants of Albert Detmering, J. C. and Amelia Detmering, still own the property. Long-time residents of Dayton say that the building has housed a succession of restaurants and barber shops.

**SIGNIFICANCE:** This building is associated with several Dayton entrepreneurs including Charles McNamar, Lester Shippy, Ross Watson and Albert Detmering. Criterion b.

## SOURCES:

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