

HISTORIC NAME: Busch House
 ADDRESS: 224 N. Church, Bozeman
 LEGAL BOUNDARY: Babcock and Davis Blk 2
 W. 124' of Lots 9 - 12
 OWNER'S NAME: Margaretta Forsythe
 OWNER ADDRESS: 224 N. Church, Bozeman
 SPECIFIC DATE: c.1895
 ARCHITECT: Unknown
 BUILDER: Unknown
 ORIGINAL OWNER: Apollo J. Busch
 ORIGINAL USE: residence
 PRESENT USE: residence
 UTM REFERENCE: 12/497750/5058720
 ACREAGE: less than one
 U.S.G.S. QUAD: Bozeman, 1953



STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:
 Applicable Criteria: C
 Number of Contributing Properties: 1

This unusual brick veneer Queen Anne style house was probably built by Apollo J. Busch, who was associated with both the Northern Pacific Railroad, and the Gallatin Valley Electric Railway. The house retains high integrity and is an architecturally significant representation of a middle class rendition of the style.

Although Busch is not listed in the 1892 city directory, he appears in the 1900 and 1904-5 directories as foreman of the Northern Pacific Railroad. Between about 1910 and 1916, he was foreman, and eventually superintendent of the Gallatin Valley Electric Railway.

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

This detached, one-and-one-half story, single family residence has a irregular plan with a shed-roofed front porch next to a large half-hexagonal bay projection from the main structure. The three-bay facade is asymmetrical and consists of an offset front entrance with two-over-two double-hung windows, a small fixed stain glass window, and a cottage window in the center of the bay, which features a stained glass transom. The frame construction is finished in brick veneer and rests on a cut stone foundation. The gable-hipped combination roof is covered with asphalt shingles and features dormers and an interior rear brick chimney. The axis of the main roof is perpendicular to the street.

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

City Directories: 1892,1900, p.132; 1904-5, p. 83; 1910-11, p. 65; 1916-17, p. 57.
 Application for Sewer Connection: Oct. 24, 1902, A.J. Busch.

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