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Block 18 Houses (92 - Lewellen House, 93 - ^{Magdalena} Magdaline House, 94 Gutierrez House) ^{Magdalena}

Description

On Block 18, bounded by Second, Chestnut, Third, and Poplar, there are three houses, all of which are good, relatively unchanged examples of early twentieth century residences in Magdalena. The earliest Sanborn Map the three appear on is dated 1919; however, this is the earliest coverage of the block as well. Likely construction dates are between 1910 and 1915.

The house at the northeast corner of Third and Poplar (#94) is one-and-one-half-stories, rectangular in plan, and topped by a gable roof. The walls and foundation are constructed of stone, now stuccoed. Across the front is a wood porch, which has been entirely redone and portions have been enclosed. The gable ends of the house are covered with fishscale shingles. The center front door has an oval window and top and side lights. The double hung windows are topped by flat arches of brick and below are brick sills. At one side there is a bay window and at the rear a gabled dormer.

The house is in good condition and, except for the porch, stucco, and side and rear additions, has had few changes. The interior is in nearly original condition. Elaborate pressed metal ceilings, wood floors, and lighting fixtures remain intact. According to the owner, the house dates to 1910. Also on the property are a mobile home and wooden sheds, none of which are contributing.

Down Third Street, at the northwest corner of Third and Chestnut, is another gable roofed, one-and-one-half-story house (#93). This one is constructed of wood with clapboard siding and shingles in the gables. It is rectangular in plan and has an inset veranda on the east and south sides. The veranda is supported by plain posts. At the rear is a low, gable roofed section which shields the end of the veranda. Whether intentional or not, the veranda is well-placed for protection from the climate because the west is shaded and the winter sun is allowed to penetrate. All of the windows are double hung wood with plain surrounds. The front door has top and side lights.

The house is in good condition and has had little remodeling. The fine proportions of the roof and veranda particularly stand out. Locally it is referred to as the Magdaline House. At the rear of the house is a stone garage which has a high roof with gables. The garage contributes to the property.

The third house on Block 18 is north of #93 at the southwest corner of Second and Chestnut (#92). The house is one-and-one-half-stories, constructed of wood frame with stucco siding, and topped by a complex hip roof. The house has a square plan which is broken by a front gable-roofed projection with a veranda on two sides, by a bay window under the larger of two dormers, and a rear porch. The double hung wood windows all have plain surrounds and the front door has an oval window and is topped by a transom. The posts which support the veranda are modified Doric columns. The classical influence is reinforced by the returned eaves on the front gable and defined pediments on the dormers. Like the other two, this house is in good condition and few changes have been made to it. Behind the house are a wooden shed and outhouse, neither of which are contributing.

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Significance

These three houses are significant as good examples of typical, early twentieth century houses in Magdalena. They stand out within residences of the town because of their good condition and minor degree of remodeling. Their location on one block reinforces their importance within the town's context.

All three of the houses date to between 1910 and 1915. The teens were the years of Magdalena's greatest prosperity and houses such as these reflect the presence of wealth. Architecturally, all three houses are good examples of the rather undefined turn-of-the-century style, sometimes referred to as "Comfortable Anne".

Owners: #94 - Eulales and Rebecca Guterrez
Magdalena, New Mexico 87825

#93 - E.J. Wilson
Box 331
Magdalena, New Mexico 87825

#92 - Catherine B. Lewellen
Box 65
Magdalena, New Mexico 87825

Verbal Boundary Description:

#94 Beginning at the intersection of Third and Poplar, proceed east along the north edge of Third for approximately 38 meters to the alley; proceed north along the west side of the alley for approximately 30 meters to the rear property line; proceed west along the property line for approximately 38 meters to Poplar; proceed south along the east edge of Poplar for approximately 30 meters to the starting point.

#93 Beginning at the intersection of Third and Chestnut, proceed north along the west side of Chestnut for approximately 30 meters to the rear property line; proceed west along the property line for approximately 38 meters to the alley; proceed south along the east edge of the alley for approximately 30 meters to Third; proceed east along the north edge of Third for approximately 38 meters to the starting point.

#92 Beginning at the intersection of Second and Chestnut, proceed west along the south edge of Second for approximately 38 meters to the alley; proceed south along the east edge of the alley for approximately 30 meters to the rear property line; proceed east along the rear property line for approximately 38 meters to Chestnut; proceed north along the west edge of Chestnut for approximately 30 meters to the starting point.

UTM References: #92 - 13/293500/3777250
#93 - 13/293550/3777200
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