## MONTANA HISTORICAL/ARCHITECTURAL INVENTORY #17

HISTORIC NAME: ADDRESS:	Brandenburg House 122 West Lamme
LEGAL BOUNDARY:	Tracy's 2nd, Blk B
	N. 1/2 lots 11 & 12
OWNER'S NAME:	Harlan Richter
OWNER ADDRESS:	32 Sotelo Ave.,
	Piedmont, CA 94611
SPECIFIC DATE:	c.1883
ARCHITECT:	Unknown
BUILDER:	W.T. Brandenburg
ORIGINAL OWNER:	W.T. Brandenburg
ORIGINAL USE:	residence
PRESENT USE:	residence
UTM REFERENCE:	12/496980/5058360
ACREAGE:	less than one
U.S.G.S. QUAD:	Bozeman, 1953



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

One of the most architecturally significant houses in Bozeman, the Brandenburg house is the best preserved example of the few remaining examples of the I-House building type, once common in the city. It is also one of the few houses that displays Italianate style detailing. A similar house in Bozeman at 301 S. Black, located within the S. Black - S. Tracy Historic District, may be the work of the same builder. That house, however, has had its entry porch enclosed.

The Brandenburg House was built around 1883, the year the Northern Pacific Railroad arrived in Bozeman, by William T. Brandenburg, a carpenter who settled in Montana in 1881 from Minnesota. Brandenburg, and his wife Mary J. Brandenburg, lived here until about 1940.

## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

This detached two-story single-family I-House has a T-shaped plan, a one-story cross section lying parallel to N. Grand Street at the rear. The main section of the house features a central entry with a four panel wooden door with a transom above. The small, square wooden porch has chamfered support posts with decorative knee braces. The small balcony above the porch is accessed by a paneled door with a single light. The balcony rail is composed of chamfered posts with a decorative, scroll-cut balustrade. A one-story, half-hexagonal bay protrudes from the west elevation. Windows are one-over-one double hung units with 8-pane wooden storms. All windows have small wooden pedimented lintels.

The south wing of the house appears to be of very early construction and features two-overtwo double hung windows with the same lintel pediments. A porch with chamfered support posts and decorative knee braces is set in the ell recess. The rear door is a four panel wooden door. The flat roof of the bay is supported by small paired brackets. The entire house is sheathed with ship lap siding and sets on a concrete foundation. The gabled roof is covered with asphalt shingles.

## **BIBLIOGRAPHY:**

City Directories: 1892, p. 97; 1900, p. 131; 1904, p. 80; 1910, p. 190; 1912, p. 55; 1916-17, p. 52; 1927, p. 35; 1933, p. 37; 1935-6, p. 39; 1940.

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