ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Wilbur O. Bayless/Grasty House	COUNTY Pinal County INVENTORY NO. CG-138
COMMON PROPERTY NAME	QUAD/COUNTY MAP
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 221 North Cameron	
CITY,TOWN/VICINITY OF Casa Grande ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 507-06-027	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Malcolm J. Lytle PHONE	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 221 North Cameron	
CITY,TOWN STATE ZIP Casa Grande, Arizona 85222	
FORM PREPARED BY Janus Associates Inc. DATE 9/82	
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CITY,TOWN STATE ZIP Tempe, Arizona 85282	
PHOTO BY Casa Grande Survey Volunteer DATE June 1982	
VIEW looking northwest	
HISTORIC USE residence	
PRESENT USE residence ACREAGE less/one	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER	
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES Built early 1920s, addition at rear 1950s	

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This two-story rectangular plan dwelling has an interesting Bungalow design. Gabled roofs are perpendicular to the front facade. A low gabled front porch extends full width along the front facade supported by two wood posts with large masonry bases. A single-story shed-roofed addition joins the east facade. All construction appears to be of wood and sheathed in shiplap siding. Two six-over-one light wood double-hung windows are symmetrical about a central front door. Other random windows are two-leaf eight-light wood casement and new windows are aluminum. Diagonal wood braces support the large open eaves. Ventilation screens are located at gable heads. A low random rubble stone wall runs along the perimeter of the site. Addition walls and partial second-story surfaces are in need of maintenance.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

Wilbur O. Bayless built this house in the early 1920's. It is likely that the house was a rental property called Bayless' Aeroplane Apartments, until purchased by Emmett C. Grasty in 1930. Grasty owned the Grasty Implement Co., with stores in Casa Grande and Coolidge, and sold out to the O. S. Stapley Co. in 1943. He had been at one time publisher of the Casa Grande Valley Dispatch and served in many civic capacities, including a four-year term on the City Council. Grasty had also been one of the founders of the Children's Home in Tucson and was known for his philanthropies.

SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

Casa Grande Valley Historical Society newspaper index files
Casa Grande Valley Historical Society history and photo files
Interview: Emmett Grasty, Jr.--August 31, 1982

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Lot 7, Block 4, Myers 1st addition

USGS QUAD - CASA GRANDE EAST

UTM references on continuation sheet

GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY