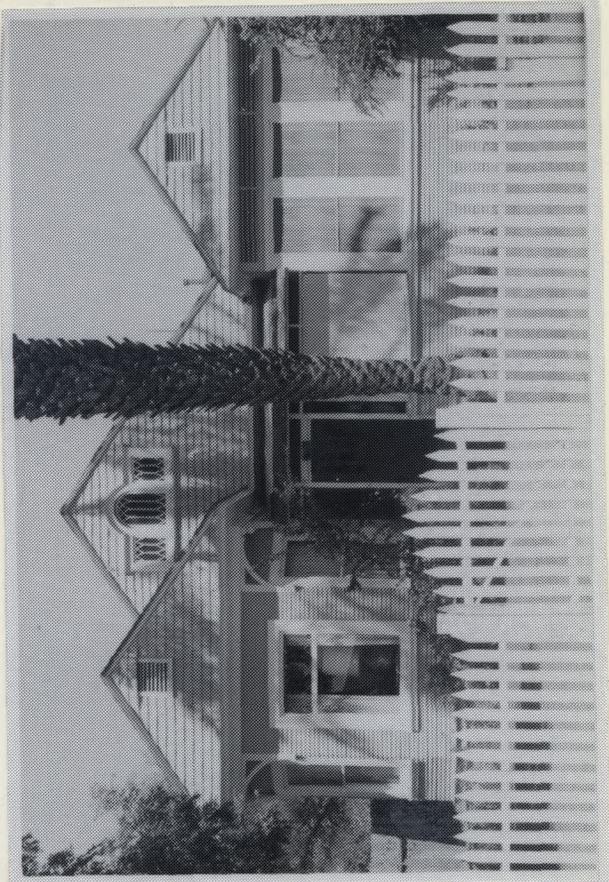


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ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

PROPERTY NAME Brownstetter House		Yu130	
LOCATION 627 Orange Avenue		CURRENT PHOTOGRAPH 	
CITY/TOWN/VICINITY Yuma	COUNTY Yuma		
OWNER Michael and Jacqueline Brockert			
OWNER'S ADDRESS 627 Orange Avenue Yuma, AZ 85364			
FORM COMPLETED BY Yuma County Historical Society			
ADDRESS 240 Madison Avenue Yuma, AZ 85364			
PHOTO BY P. Callahan	DATE 4/78		
VIEW Front facade from west			
PRESENT USE Residence/single family	ACREAGE less/acre		
STYLE OR CULTURAL PERIOD Frame Cottage with mixed stylistic influence			
SIGNIFICANT DATES Constructed 1909, modified c. 1920			
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION The Brownstetter House is a one-and-a-half story wood frame building of asymmetrical massing over a basically rectangular plan. Overall the building measures about 35 feet wide and 45 feet deep. The roof is divided into three gable units, each of which faces the front. The gables are covered with wooden shingles, the bottom layer of which has a saw tooth edge. The largest central gable is distinguished by a Palladian window. The two side gables each contain a rectangular ventilator. The entry is centered in the front facade between a window bay and enclosed porch. The exterior is finished with clapboard. Many of the original interior details are still extant. The building is sound.			
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE The house at 627 Orange Avenue is one of the best preserved examples of early 20th century residential architecture in Yuma. Thoroughly eclectic, the building combines Neo-Colonial, Victorian, and Bungalow features in a pleasing design. The property is also noteworthy as the home of Harry Brownstetter and his family from 1912 to 1949. Mr. Brownstetter moved to Yuma about the turn of the century. He eventually became a successful merchant, real estate developer, and financier. Not satisfied with strictly business activity, Brownstetter was also prominent in local politics and civic events. The house is relatively unchanged and is in excellent condition.			
VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION Block 148; Lot 15; Yuma Townsite			