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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Hassayampa Inn is a three story brick structure, with irregular massing, over an "L" shaped plan. Located at the northwest corner of Gurley and Marina Streets, the building is situated on the site with the legs of the "L" extending along the rear lot lines creating a garden entry court southeast of the building.

The main body of the structure is flat roofed with sloping mission tiled roof on the parapets. A moulded cornice occurs below the tiles at the top of the wall.

The main (east) facade, setback from Marina Street by the entry court, is accentuated by an offset, four story tower. The tower projects from the face of the wall and raises above the main roof line. It is topped with a mission tiled pyramidal roof set on four brick columns.

A one story, flat roofed extension runs along a portion of this facade below the tower. Rising above the roof of this extension and adjacent to the tower is a two story brick balcony with a curvilinear parapet on the east wall.

Access to the building from Marina Street is approached through a brick porte cochere which extends along the south wall of the north wing. The entry itself is a round arched double door located in the west wing. The Gurley Street elevation, which slopes dramatically to the west, is set flush with the front lot line. A series of glazed storefront bays compose the first level of this facade, interrupted only by the south entrance to the hotel. The entrance is offset toward the east end of the facade and is entered through a round arched double doorway set in a small pedimented frontispiece. A plain circular medallion within a decorative brick frame occurs centrally above each storefront bay.

The second and third story windows (3 over 3 double hung) are discrete and uniformally located in the wall planes on all facades.

Three projecting band courses separate the second and third story windows from the first level storefronts and the parapet. Uniformally located plaster medallions occur on both major facades near the top of the walls above the openings.

No major alterations have occured to the exterior of the building and it retains almost all of its original architectural integrity.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Hassayampa Inn, constructed in 1927, is significant for its historic association with the development of Prescott as an emergent tourist and resort attraction. Entirely financed through public subscription, it is noteworthy as a symbol of cooperation and commitment among the citizen's of Prescott. Architecturally the building is the best preserved and largest example of the Mission Revival and Italian Renaissance Revival Styles in Prescott, and is significant as having been designed by noted southwestern architects Trost and Trost of El Paso.

Prescott had once been the center of political and economic activity for the territory, but by the end of the first decade of the 20th century, the town could no longer claim such prominence. The end of its era of prosperity was marked in 1907 by a recession which reduced mining and other commerce activities, and forced the closing of several businesses. The economy of Prescott stabilized, but its growth was curtailed. Many local businessmen, forseeing no change in the existing conditions, began to explore other economic futures which could insure the town's importance once again as a growing and prosperous community.

The most obvious future was tourism. Prescott had all the necessary advantages of climate, location, and recreational facilities needed to make it a "nationally known and attractive tourist and pleasure resort." By the mid 1920's the community had taken an open, active interest in developing this potential future, and had concluded that the greatest remaining obstacle in the way of making Prescott a successful resort was the lack of a "modern up-to-date hotel." In an attempt to secure such a hotel for Prescott, a private venture, the Hassayampa Hotel Co., was organized in December 1924. The company, however, was poorly managed and failed to obtain the necessary financial commitments from outside sources. Another attempt to promote the hotel project as a public endeavor, spearheaded by the Prescott Kiwanis Club, met with more positive results. The Club compaigned successfully for subscriptions from the local citizenry, who then became shareholders in a newly organized Hassayampa Hotel Company. Its board of directors included such noteable community figures as Moses B. Hazeltine, Francis S. Viele, C.C. Miller, Jr., and Robert E. Talley.

By mid 1925, the Hassayampa Hotel Co. had raised \$150,000, but attempts at securing secondary financing were set back for about a year due to the failure of a local bank. Finally, in the fall of 1926, financial assurance for the construction of the hotel was guaranteed.

A site for the hotel was selected and purchased at the northwest corner of Gurley and Marina Streets, one block from the Courthouse Plaza. Final architectural plans

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were approved, and the Ramey Brothers of El Paso were awarded the Construction Contract. Construction on the hotel was begun in February 1927 and completed 10 months later, in November, at a cost of \$140,900.

The hotel became the single most important manifestation of the desire of the community to rejuvinate its diminishing local economy and to create a new future for the town. Its impact on the community was probably best exemplified by the headline of the special commemorative edition of the local newspaper: "New Hotel Pledges Prescotts' Faith in Her Future."

The Hassayampa Inn is also a noteworthy contribution to the architectural heritage of Prescott. Its stylistic treatment, degree of craftsmanship, and location as a focal point in the community, lend to its architectural significance.

The architects for the hotel were Trost and Trost of El Paso, who received the commission through a design competition. Trost and Trost was a prominent southwestern architectural firm, and, although located in El Paso since 1904, played a significant role in the architectural evolution of both New Mexico and Arizona.

Characteristic of much of their work, the design of the Hotel is executed as a relatively large, simple mass, with ornamentation and stylistic features applied to the facades. The building incorporated elements of the Mission Revival and Italian Rennaissance Revival Styles, but without committing its classification to either stylistic mode. The interior of the lobby is noteable for the excellence of its craftsmanship and detailing which includes ceramic tiled wainscotts and ornate designs painted on the beamed ceilings.

The Hassayampa Inn is one of the few buildings of its stylistic period to have been built in Prescott. Construction of the hotel in 1927 introduced a new style of architecture to Prescott, one which was considered modern and fashionable. Today the Hassayampa Inn remains relatively unchanged and is the best preserved and largest local example of its style in the community.

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