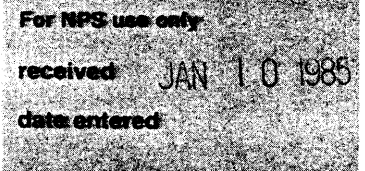


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#206 Austin-McDonald (Koogler) House, 501 Rio Grande, ill. 33.

4. Owner: C. V. Koogler, 501 Rio Grande, Aztec, N.M.

7. Description: Adobe (first floor) with clapboard siding; frame (second) with clapboard; hipped skirt between floors; paired two-story window bays covered with wood shingles; pointed shingles in gables and under porch eaves.

Located one block north of the Church Avenue and Lovers Lane District, in a residential area between Rio Grande Avenue (once the major entrance to the city) and the Lower Animas Ditch.

The porch at the left was added with the clapboard addition; the decorative block screen and perhaps the fascia board are recent.

8. Significance: Contained within this building is the original Austin family homestead house--a four room one-story adobe. While most homestead houses were replaced with impressive new residences, the Austin house was enlarged about 1910. The original portion, along with the wood frame porch, second floor and rear additions, were sheathed in clapboard. Paired two-story window bays dominate this distinctive composition. Two varieties of wood shingles accent the bays and gables. This is the work of an anonymous folk builders, which may also include the Hillstrom House (#330) in the Church Avenue District, the only other local house with the distinctive hipped skirt between floors.

10. Acreage: under 1 UTM Reference: 13 233250 4079525  
Boundary: unnumbered plot recorded on map 3.