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HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL

INVENTORY

Site# Legal Description: Lots 14 and 15 of block 10 of Pine Grove Addition Address: 805 South 4th Street Ownership: Name: Catherine E. Tibbs private address: same



Location map or building plan with arrow north.

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Roll# 9 Frame# 8 Historic Name: Conway house Common Name: none Date of Construction: 1930 X estimated Architect: unknown Builder: unknown Original Owner: Grace L. Conway Original Use: residence Present Use: residence

RESEARCH SOURCES: Title Search: yes Tax Records: yes Bldg. Permit: no Census Records: no Sewer/Water: no Sanborn Maps: Not shown Directories: yes Newspapers: yes

TITLE SEARCH State of Montana, 1894 William & Mary Tole, 1894 Marcus Daly, 1894 Anaconda Mining Co, 1894 Anaconda Copper Mining Co, 1895 Valley Mercantile Co, 1909

Valley Mercantile Corp., 1929 Grace L. Conway, 1928, lot 3 of Block 10, Pine Grove Grace L. Conway, 1930, lot 4 of Block 10, Pine Grove Catherine & Robert Tibbs. 1948

BIBLIOGRAPHY: None

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This is a one and a half story log building. Windows are 8/8, double hung. Front door is flush wood with a small glass lite having rectangular, decorative metal strap hinges. Included are: three riser small concrete stoop with iron railing and a small, raked wrapped or gable motif above. Roof is gable over rectangular plan with gable running parallel to 4th Street. Wod shingles are seen in the gable end portion above the logs. Logs are peeled, round logs with new chinking. The overhang is approximately one foot on gable ends and laterals. There is a shed dormer with three double hung windows see toward 4th Street. A rectangular brick chimney projects near the center of the gable. This log house sits on a concrete foundation. The small gable, front porch roof is supported by 2 1/2 inch pipe columns. A shed roof, one story bay projects on the south end of the house, starting just below the gable end which projects approximately four feet by twelve feet wide.

INTEGRITY

This building has excellent integrity. There are no visible signs of additions or alterations. Everything ties with the lap joint detailing at the corners. Supposedly, house was built in the early 30's. It was one of the last log houses built by a local contractor in this area.

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Historical research of names associated with the title search of this property included newspaper research and city directories as follows: 1903-04, 1907, 1909, 1911, 1915, 1917, for Hamilton. Through this investigation it could not be determined that owners of this property actually resided at this location, or no information was available for names associated with this address.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

Research done on this property using the title search, city directories 1903-17, current tax records and local newspapers did not reveal that persons associated with this property played a significant role in Hamilton'S historical development.

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HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

Area of Significance: architecture Specific Dates: ca. 1930 Contributing buildings: 1

The 1930's, 1 1/2-story log house is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places under criterion C. Unusual in the urban context of Hamilton, this log dwelling is a good example of late Craftsman styling and is an early example of milled log construction, which has become a major industry during recent years in the Bitterroot Valley. The house is located at the edge of the city limits adjacent to the Rocky Mountain Laboratory, and is associated with the development of new housing units during the '30's in the southwestern quarter of Hamilton to accommodate the workers at the lab. The builders of this house retained a setting with a distinctly rural feel, with mature coniferous trees, no sidewalks and a greater setback than neighborhood properties.

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