


ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

PROPERTY NAME Fisher/Goldwater House		YHF 124
LOCATION 240 South Cortez		CURRENT PHOTOGRAPH 
CITY/TOWN/VICINITY Prescott	COUNTY Yavapai	
OWNER Henry C. Hampton		
OWNER'S ADDRESS 240 South Cortez Prescott, AZ 86301		
FORM COMPLETED BY Yavapai Heritage Foundation		
ADDRESS P.O. Box 61 Prescott, AZ 86302		
PHOTO BY Ken Kimsey	DATE 1975	
VIEW Front & side elevations from SE		
PRESENT USE Funeral home	ACREAGE	
STYLE OR CULTURAL PERIOD Queen Anne		
SIGNIFICANT DATES Built 1894		

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION The house at 240 South Cortez is a large two-and-a-half-story wood frame structure with asymmetrical massing. In plan the building measures approximately 45 feet wide by 60 feet deep. The roof is complex, combining hip, gable, and conical forms. Major features include a corner tower, bay windows, and dormers. Clapboard is employed on both the first and second story; shingles are used in the gable ends. Characteristically, each floor level is articulated from the lower by a string course or an overhang. Diamond-shaped panes are found in the windows on the second story. Recently the exterior was covered with aluminum siding; however, the integrity of the house is

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE still intact. J.L. Fisher was a businessman and politician who dealt in real estate, mines, and railroads. In 1894, at a cost of \$10,000 he built a home in the tradition of the Queen Anne Style. Acclaimed by the local press as the "finest and largest in town", the building is probably the best interpretation of Shaw's manor houses to be found in Prescott. After his death, Fisher's widow, Sarah, married Morris Goldwater. Goldwater, one of the pioneering merchantile family, had a long and distinguished career as a member of the territorial legislature and as the local mayor. He was also prominent in the Masonic Order.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION
Lots 13 & 15; Block 20
Original Townsite

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