

ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

PROPERTY NAME Sewall House	
LOCATION 220 North Mount Vernon	
CITY/TOWN/VICINITY Prescott	COUNTY Yavapai
OWNER Thomas and Bertha Sullivan	
OWNER'S ADDRESS 223 Luhrs Tower Phoenix, AZ 85003	
FORM COMPLETED BY Yavapai Heritage Foundation	
ADDRESS P.O. Box 61 Prescott, AZ 86302	
PHOTO BY Ken Kimsey	DATE 1975
VIEW Front and side elevations from SE	
PRESENT USE Residential	ACREAGE
STYLE OR CULTURAL PERIOD Queen Anne derivation	
SIGNIFICANT DATES Built 1893	

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CURRENT PHOTOGRAPH



PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Sewall House is a two-and-a-half-story wood frame structure. Massing is asymmetrical over a floor plan which is approximately 45 feet deep and 40 feet wide. The multiple gable roofs do not intersect at a common crest. A round turret is located at the southeast corner of the building. Vertical surfaces are shingled or sheathed with horizontal siding. The front porch and second-story deck are noteworthy external features. Very few buildings from the same time period have been as well-maintained or retain as much of the original detailing as this home.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE Charles A. Sewall arrived in Prescott in 1890 to assume his position as post surgeon at Whipple Barracks. He had been in the West since 1873, one year after graduation from the medical department at the University of Pennsylvania. In 1892 he began a private practice in Prescott which he pursued for many years. Among his various positions, Dr. Sewall served as the county physician for Yavapai County and as the secretary of the Yavapai Co. Medical Association. He was married to Virginia Evans, a niece of W.C. Bashford. Their home on North Mt. Vernon is an interesting design, owing its general character to Queen Anne and its features to both Gothic and Shingle Style models. Note especially the treatment of the gables, the enveloping quality of the shingled surfaces, and the sweep of the roof on the northwest.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Lots 9 and 11; Block 1
East Prescott Addition