


ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

PROPERTY NAME Blumberg House		CURRENT PHOTOGRAPH		YHF 155
LOCATION 143 North Mt. Vernon				
CITY/TOWN/VICINITY Prescott	COUNTY Yavapai			
OWNER Walter & Lois Shaffer				
OWNER'S ADDRESS 601 Douglas 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 elevation from NW				
PRESENT USE Residential - single	ACREAGE			
STYLE OR CULTURAL PERIOD Victorian melange				
SIGNIFICANT DATES Built 1900				

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Blumberg House is one of the best examples of nineteenth century wood ornamentation in Prescott. Half-timbering, shingles, dentiles, spindles, jigsaw cut brackets and gable framing are all present. The structure is of wood construction, has asymmetrical massing, and is based on an irregular floor plan. Roofs are polygonal; some of the original cresting is in place. Several windows have decorative mullions.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

A. Blumberg, a Russian immigrant, arrived in Prescott in the 1890s and worked as a clerk in several local stores. By the turn of the century, he had worked his way up to manager of the New York Store, one of Prescott's best mercantiles. His home on North Mt. Vernon is a beautiful example of the variation in form and detail achieved by some builders at the turn of the century. Aspects of both High Victorian Gothic and Queen Anne can be detected in the building.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Lots 2 & 4; Block 6
East Prescott Addition