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The Campbell House, which is currently being restored, was one of Spokane's finest homes during the city's famed "Age of Elegance" at the turn-of-the-century. On the exterior, the first story is composed of brick and has cut-stone trimming around the windows, doors, and corners. The top stories are stucco and half-timbered, and the roof has decorated chimneys and gables. These features exhibit a traditional Elizabethan influence.

On the interior, the drawing room is done in Tudor style, with a Gothic arch framing a recessed fireplace. Throughout the house are ten original fireplaces in ornate tile. A Dutch Delft tile fireplace is located in the dining room. The beautiful woodwork of the ceiling beams and the walls is original and would be difficult to replace today.

The most unusual feature of the house is the gold reception room, done in the French rococo style. This room has a handsome gold and onyx fireplace, walls covered with old rose moire silk panels edged in gold-leaf moldings, and windows hung with old rose velvet draperies.

The Campbell House was given to the Eastern Washington State Historical Society as a memorial in 1925. Museum exhibits were housed in the building until the Cheney Cowles Memorial Museum was completed next door in 1960. Since that time, the restoration of the Campbell House has been a continuing project.

Most of the original furnishings had been auctioned off in 1925 when the house was granted to the Society. Despite this, the main and second floors have recently been restored to as close an approximation as possible by studying the original cost inventory (includes descriptions of furniture, draperies, and wallpaper) made in 1898, the year the home was built. One bedroom on the second floor, however, still retains a mineral exhibit because the Society considered it to be of integral importance for interpreting Spokane's "Age of Elegance", when the mines of the region provided the finances necessary for building many luxurious homes and business establishments.

The unrestored basement is currently used for museum storage. The Thirdfloor servants' quarters have likewise not been refurnished and are still used as storage and work space. On this floor exhibit cases used from 1925 to 1960 are still intact. A covered passageway has been built to connect the Campbell House with the museum. As funds and space permit, the entire Campbell House will be refurnished until it stands as a fully restored example of a mansion in Spokane's gilded past.

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The Grace Campbell Memorial House was designed by Kirtland Kelsey Cutter, a nationally recognized architect. Cutter was born August 20, 1869, in Cleveland, Ohio; was educated at the Brooks Academy in New York; and later studied in Dresden, Germany, and Florence, Italy. Cutter came west to Spokane in 1886, and worked in his uncle's bank. Soon, Cutter began to practice architecture and interior design. His skills were particularly in demand when Spokane's business section was rebuilt after a disastrous fire on August 4, 1889. In 1895, Cutter designed the Spokane County Courthouse and by the turn of the century, he was building elaborate mansions for the local merchants, bankers, and mine operators who were raking in tremendous wealth from the mines of British Columbia and northern Idaho. Cutter later moved his practice to Southern California.

A number of Cutter designed mansions still remain in Spokane, of which the Campbell House is one of the best preserved and most authentically furnished. Built in 1898 for an estimated \$75,000, the home would cost about \$225,000 to reproduce today.

The Campbell House was built for Amasa B. Campbell, a transplanted easterner who profited tremendously during the mining boom in northern Idaho during the last two decades of the Nineteenth Century. Wealth naturally concentrated in Spokane because the city was the primary focal point for commerce and transportation in the Inalnd Empire, an area comprising much of eastern Washington, southern British Columbia, northern Idaho, and western Montana. After 1887, Campbell and a partner, J. A. -Finch of Youngstown, Ohio, purchased and developed such productive Idaho mines as the Gem and the Mace. Campbell was also a principal antagonist in the 1892-1905 labor disputes which rocked the mining regions. Campbell's personality was reflected in some of the home's elaborate furnishings; in the basement, for instance, were facilities for playing poker and billiards.

Mrs. William Weaver Powell gave the Campbell House to the Eastern Washington State Historical Society in 1925 as a memorial to her mother, Grace Fox Campbell (Mrs. Amasa B. Campbell).

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#8 - Significance
Grace Campbell Memorial House

The Eastern Washington State Historical Society's ownership of the Campbell House guarantees the building's future preservation and protection. Furthermore, the Campbell House is one of the few Cutter designed homes in Spokane open to the public. To this day Cutter's many buildings give Spokane a certain flavor and uniqueness not found in other cities of the Northwest.

