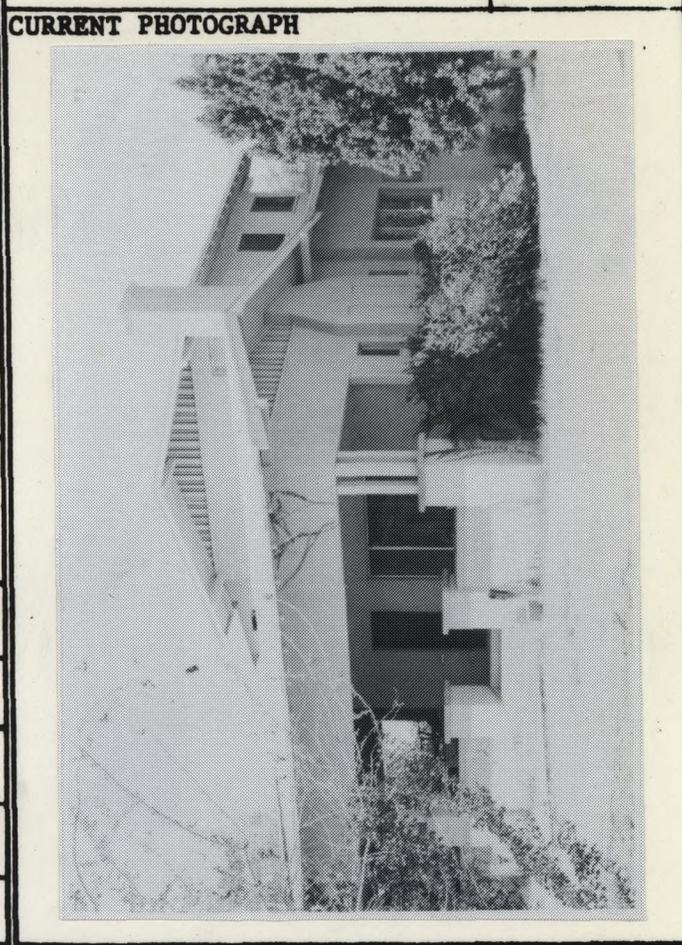


ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

APR 21 1980

PROPERTY NAME J. Homer Smith House	
LOCATION 600 Fifth Avenue	
CITY/TOWN/VICINITY Yuma	COUNTY Yuma
OWNER Gilbert and Della Jerez	
OWNER'S ADDRESS 600 South Fifth Avenue Yuma, AZ 85364	
FORM COMPLETED BY Yuma County Historical Society	
ADDRESS 240 Madison Avenue Yuma, AZ 85364	
PHOTO BY P. Callahan	DATE 4-78
VIEW Front elevation from east	
PRESENT USE Single Family Residence	ACREAGE less/acre
STYLE OR CULTURAL PERIOD Bungaloid	
SIGNIFICANT DATES Constructed c. 1917	

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PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION
The house at 600 Fifth Avenue is a two story structure of asymmetrical massing over an irregular floor plan. The core of the house measures about 30 feet wide and 45 feet deep. The first floor is constructed of brick, the upper story is frame. All exterior surfaces are stuccoed. Roofs are gabled with deep overhangs and exposed eave ends. Upper gable walls are louvered to allow ventilation of the attic space. The largest single roof extends across the front of the building to cover the entry porch and car port. Additions and modifications have been made to the structure. It is, however, sound and its original integrity is recoverable.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE
The J. Homer Smith House is noteworthy both as the best preserved example of large scale Bungaloid design in Yuma and for its association with J. Homer Smith, a pharmacist who settled in Yuma about 1912. Mr. Smith had a distinguished civic and business career. His political activities included terms as city councilman, mayor, school board president, and chairman of the county highway commission. He also served as a director and president of the First National Bank of Yuma. The Smith House is distinguished as a Bungaloid type with gable roofs perpendicular to but separate from one another.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION
Block 151; Lots 1 and 2; Yuma Townsite