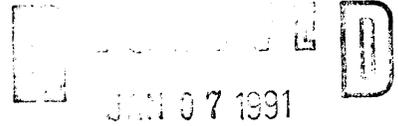


United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service



National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

NATIONAL
REGISTER

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Eaton, Nestor P., House
other names/site number ID#308; SR Site #627; Eaton/Darr House

2. Location

street & number 313 McCutcheon N/A not for publication
city, town Socorro N/A vicinity
state New Mexico code NM county Socorro code 053 zip code 87801

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	_____	_____ sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	_____	_____ structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> objects
			Total

Name of related multiple property listing: Domestic Architecture in Socorro, New Mexico, 1870-1912 Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Ann W. [Signature] SIPO 12-28-90
Signature of certifying official Date

Historic Preservation Division
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

entered in the National Register. Patricia Andrus 2/20/91
 See continuation sheet.

determined eligible for the National Register. See continuation sheet.

determined not eligible for the National Register.

removed from the National Register.

other, (explain:)

for Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

Late Victorian

Other:brick vernacular

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation stone

walls brick

roof asphalt

other wood

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

This is a one-story, brick building with a front gable roof and intersecting side gables. The flat-roofed front porch is supported by three chamfered posts resting on a low wall. There is a similar, though smaller, porch in the e^l created by intersecting wings on the east side of the house. A rectangular, flat-roofed bay with original long double-hung windows projects from the east-facing gable. At the rear of the house is an adobe addition with a corrugated metal roof. The house is set back from the street with a low masonry wall at the street line.

The house is not without alteration. The brick walls have been painted white and the roof covered with asphalt shingles. With the exception of those in the east-facing bay, the original windows have been replaced with casement windows of reduced size. Original segmental-arched keystone lintels are discernable in low relief above the filled-in sections of the former window openings. A porch in the e^l of the intersecting gables on the west side has been enclosed. An adobe addition was placed at the rear of the house by Walter Darr in about 1933 after a fire, (Salome, interview).

Despite alterations, the house conveys its historic associations.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally statewide locally

Applicable National Register Criteria A B C D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) A B C D E F G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance

c. 1893

Significant Dates

c. 1893

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

This building is architecturally significant as one of the brick dwellings built on McCutcheon Avenue in the years of Socorro's greatest prosperity. In plan, siting, style, and architectural detail it illustrates the influences brought in by the railroad in the decade of Socorro's mining prosperity.

The earliest documentation of the house is its appearance on the 1893 Sanborn map. The house was purchased by Delphina Eaton from Samuel N. Dedrick of El Paso, Texas, in 1896, (Socorro County Deeds, Bk. 42, p. 4). Delphina Eaton's husband, Nestor Eaton, was the son of Col. Ethan Eaton who had extensive mining and ranching interests and was the leader of the Socorro vigilantes in the early 1880s. Nestor Eaton the fifth of Col. Eaton's eight children was educated in Santa Fe and Arizona and he married Delphina Padilla in 1893. He was associated with his father and brothers in mining enterprises. Active in the Republican party, in 1892 he was elected Socorro county assessor. The Eaton's foster daughter, Gertrude (born 1894), and her husband, Walter S. Darr, Sr. moved into the house in the late 1920s, (Salome, interview). Walter Darr was a prominent Socorroan who in the 1920s served as county sheriff and water master. The Darrs obtained title to the property in 1940. It was inherited by the present owner, Evelyn Darr Salome. The house was placed on the New Mexico State Register of Cultural Properties on March 20, 1978 as the Eaton/Darr House.

The Period of Significance, c. 1893, the approximate building date based on the earliest documentation on the Sanborn maps.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Conron and Lent, Architects. Application for Registration, New Mexico State Register of Cultural Properties, Form A (revised). "Eaton/Darr House," 1978.

Illustrated History of New Mexico. Chicago: The Lewis Publishing Company, 1895.

Sanborn maps, 1893, 1898, 1902, 1913, 1930.

Socorro County Deeds.

Interview

Evelyn Salome 7/18/90

See continuation sheet

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Specify repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property Less than one acre

UTM References

A 13 325120 3769700
 Zone Easting Northing

C []

B []

D []

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

Lots numbered 24 and 26 in McCutcheon's Addition to the city of Socorro, New Mexico.

See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification

The legal description of the property which includes the historic resource.

See continuation sheet

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Corinne P. Sze date November 1, 1990

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