

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

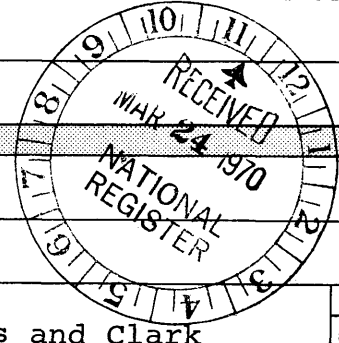
(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Montana	
COUNTY: Lewis and Clark	
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ENTRY NUMBER 70-4-25-0002	DATE 4/28/70

**1. NAME**

COMMON:  
KLUGE HOUSE, Helena

AND/OR HISTORIC:  
"Maverick" House



**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
540 West Main Street

CITY OR TOWN:  
Helena

STATE: Montana CODE: 25 COUNTY: Lewis and Clark CODE: 049

**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNER'S NAME:  
City of Helena

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:  
Helena

STATE:  
Montana

CODE:  
25

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:  
Lewis and Clark County Court House

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:  
Helena

STATE:  
Montana

CODE:  
25

**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE OF SURVEY:  
Historic American Buildings Survey

DATE OF SURVEY:  
 Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:  
Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

STREET AND NUMBER:  
National Park Service

CITY OR TOWN:  
Washington,

STATE:  
D. C.

CODE:  
80

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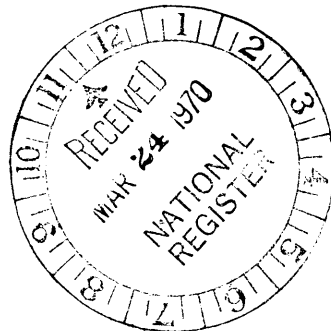
**7. DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The small rectangular building consists of hewn-log construction having halved cornering on the first floor. The building rests on a foundation of native stone and is topped by a second floor having an open timber frame with a system of cross-bracing with brick infilling. The building has a gable roof made of wood shakes.

The "Maverick" has been abandoned for many years and survived a fire which gutted the interior. The main structure is basically sound. Efforts are now underway to restore the building.



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**SIGNIFICANCE**

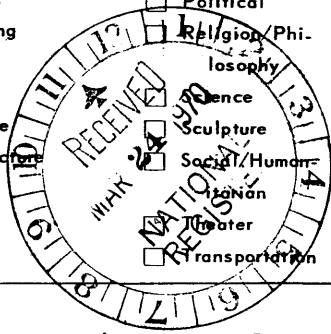
PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian |  16th Century |  18th Century |  20th Century  
 15th Century |  17th Century |  19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- |  |   |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal              | <input type="checkbox"/> Education              | <input type="checkbox"/> Political           | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric             | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering            | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historic     | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry               | <input type="checkbox"/> Science             | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture             | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention              | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture           | _____                                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature             | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater             | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce                | <input type="checkbox"/> Military               | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation      | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications          | <input type="checkbox"/> Music                  |  | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation            |   |  | _____                                    |



STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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This building is a rare specimen of log and half-timber construction (Fachwerkbau) of a type found in Prussia in the 17th, 18th, and 19th centuries. It was built in the early 1880s by Emil Kluge who came to America from Germany.

Emil Kluge was born in Prussia on March 28, 1845 and was educated in the public schools of that country. After serving in two German wars he married and emigrated to the United States with his wife.

They settled first in Detroit, Michigan, remained two years, then moved west. In May of 1873 Kluge arrived in Helena and engaged in mining with indifferent success, then took up contracting. In 1876, he made another unsuccessful mining trip to the Black Hills, then returned to Helena.

Kluge built his house in the early 1880s and resided in Helena until his death September 26, 1924. At various times he again tried mining, operated a stone quarry, did contracting and street grading. He served at times as a street commissioner, constable and Justice of the Peace.

The Kluge house remains as a reminder of pioneer architecture which often was built in the style most familiar to the settlers. The Kluge house with its first story of hewn, squared logs and the superimposed second story of half-timber work is quite characteristic of Silesian construction and is seldom found even in other parts of Germany. The building is a great rarity and may be considered exceptionally important because of its unique construction.

Measured drawings, photographic coverage, historical, and architectural evaluations are recorded in the Historic American Buildings Survey.

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Sanders, H. F. A History of Montana, Lewis Publishing Co. Chicago, Volume II, page 1040, 1913

Historic American Buildings Survey

DeHaas, Jr., John D., Montana's Historical Structures, Vol. 2

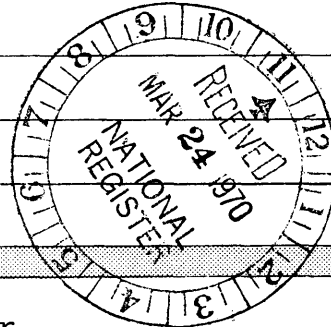
10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		46° 34' 53"	112° 02' 50"	
NE	° ' "	° ' "				
SE	° ' "	° ' "				
SW	° ' "	° ' "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 1 acre

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE



100-100-100

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:  
John DeHaas, Jr., Architect, Professor

ORGANIZATION: Montana State University DATE: Jan, 1969

STREET AND NUMBER:  
Bozeman

CITY OR TOWN: Bozeman STATE: Montana CODE: 25

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National  State  Local

Name Wesley R. Woodgerd  
Title State Liaison Officer

Date March 23, 1970

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Ernest Allen Connolly  
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date APR 28 1970

ATTEST:  
William J. Schuster  
Keeper of The National Register

Date APR 13 1970

KLUGE HOUSE or MAVERI

HELENA

(EAST HELENA)  
LAKE HELENA 10 MI.

T. 10 N.

112° 02' 50"  
W LONG.

EAST HELENA 3.5 MI.  
TOWNSEND 32 MI.

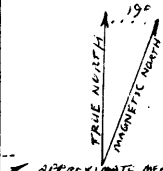
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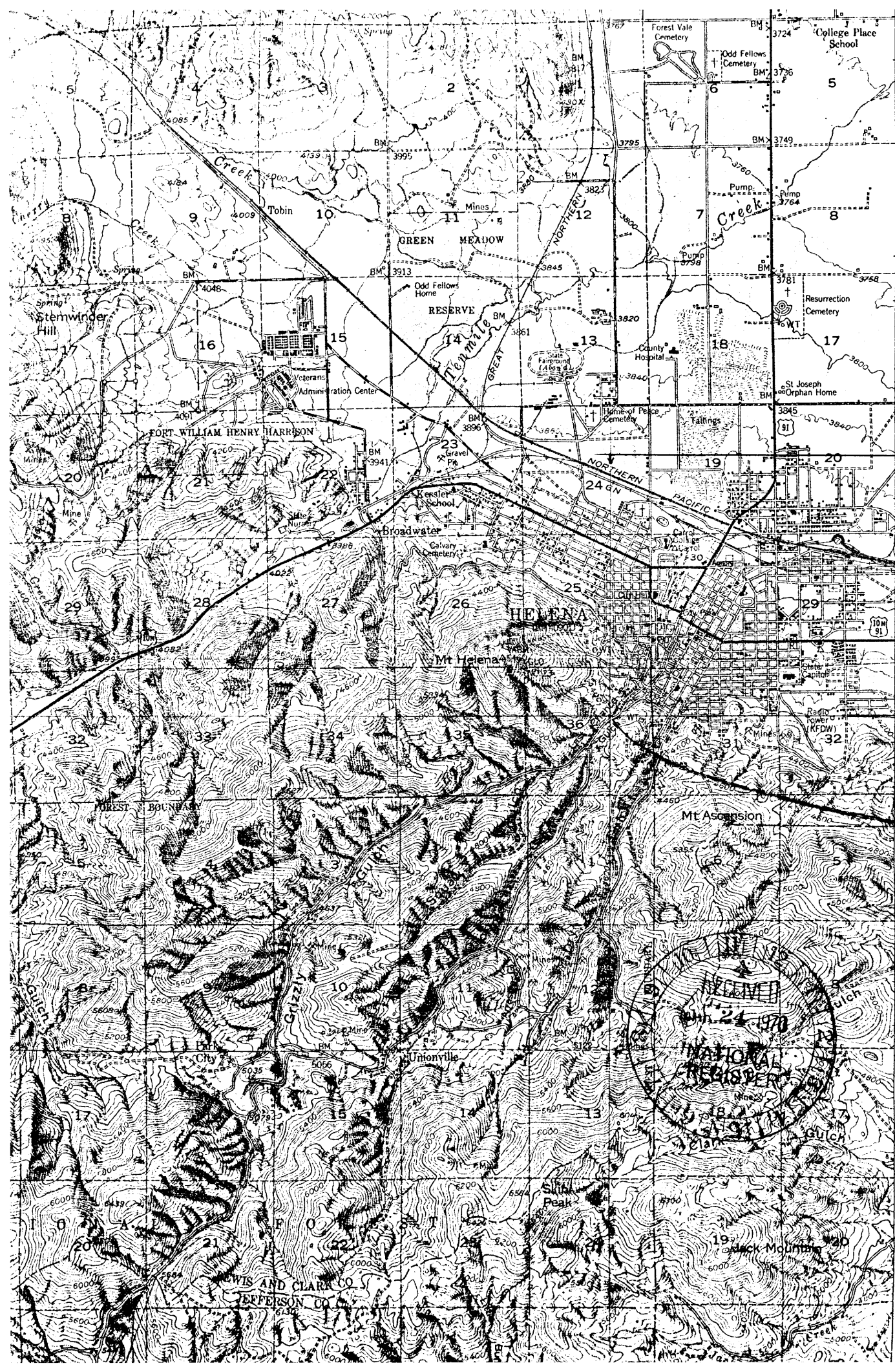
KLUGE HOUSE

940 000 FEET  
(SOUTH)

T. 9 N.



U. S. G. S.  
HELENA MONT QUAD  
15 MINUTE SERIES  
1956



Form 10-301  
(Dec. 1968)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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*(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with map)*

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Montana	25	Lewis and Clark	049
<b>3. MAP REFERENCE</b>			
SOURCE:			
U.S. Geological Survey, Helena, Montana, Quadrangle			
SCALE: 15 minute series 1:62,500			
DATE: 1950			
<b>4. REQUIREMENTS</b>			
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS			
1. Property boundaries where required.			
2. North arrow.			
3. Latitude and longitude reference.			

