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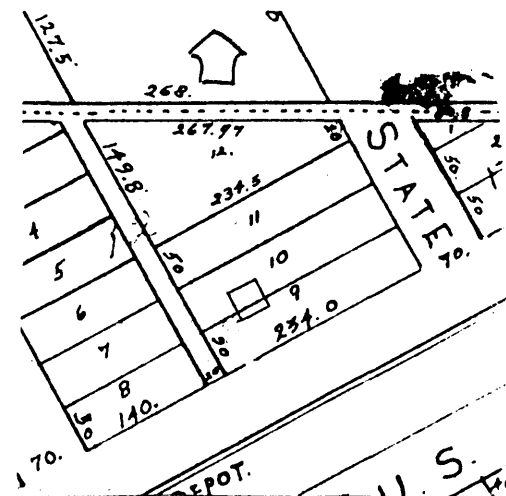
MONTANA HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL INVENTORY

Legal Description: Original Plat Block 12 Lots 9,10, 11
Address: Railroad Avenue, Joliet, Montana
Ownership: Name: Lena Zimmerman
Address: Joliet, Montana



Roll#2/Frame#13

Historic Name: none
Common Name: none
Date of Construction: 1908
Architect: unknown
Builder: Tom Collins
Original Owner: Tom Collins
Original Use: residence
Present Use: residence
Research Sources
Abstract of Title: Carbon County Courthouse
Plat Records: original plat, 1968 plat
Tax Records: not applicable
Building Permits: not available
Sewer/Water Permits: not available
City Directories: 1905-1922
Sanborn Maps: 1907, 1912, 1927
Newspapers: Joliet Journal
Carbon County Journal
Other: 1910 Census



Location map

HISTORICAL AND/OR ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE:

This building is significant architecturally as an excellent example of the pattern book English cottage style, exhibiting wonderful scale, design and execution of details. It was constructed of local brick and built by Tom Collins, one of the primary contributors to the physical development of Joliet during the first decade of the 20th century. The building is one of two brick residences in Joliet and has retained its original appearance.

HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION:

Although the courthouse does not list Tom Collins as holding title to this property until after his death in 1912, he obviously purchased the property from the Joliet Townsite and Improvement Company before 1908. In August, 1908, the Joliet Journal noted the he was building a brick residence "on the north side of Railway ave and the NP railway" with dimension of "26x28', 1 story," in the "Colonial style." By August the foundation had been completed and the 13' walls being erected. In October, 1908, the Joliet Journal reported that Amond Fosse had "purchased the new brick residence that is under course of erection on the north side by Tom Collins. When completed, this will be one of the largest and most modern residences in town..."

Fosse, listed as a farmer in the 1907 Polk directory, rented the building to William Nelson in the winter of 1909, according to the Carbon County Journal

Tom Collins was one of the most influential and important citizens of the town of Joliet and contributed much to the physical development of the town (see original plat, block 8, lots 2 and 3 for further information on Tom Collins.)

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

With a pyramidal hipped roof, this common bond brick building is a wonderful English pattern book style cottage. On the facade and the west wall, a darker brick was chosen for the header row and the corners are also accented by the different coloring of brick. A 1 1/2 story square residence, the steep pyramid roof has green wood shingles and crown and bed molding at the enclosed eaves. A hipped roof dormer is centered over the facade and holds paired 1/1 doublehung window. A brick chimney is centered on the exterior west side wall braced with iron rods. A intersecting gable extends to the north or rear of the building and a small shed roof wood frame side entry is located on the east side wall of the gable.

The facade of the building is dominated by a steep gable portico supported by a sweeping solid braces which sits on a brick wall. The centered 12 light door is flanked by a large cottage window and a 12 light fixed window. The chimney is flanked by a 1/1 doublehung window and a row of 3 6/6 doublehung windows. The east side wall also has a 12 light door and a 1/1 doublehung window. All the windows have flat lintels.

The setting of the building is on a slight rise above the road and separated from the road by a cobble stone wall. A few steps from the road brings you to the concrete walk which is flanked by 2 willows trees. A lilac hedge bounds the property to the west and other coniferous trees bounds the property to the east.

INTEGRITY:

This building has excellent integrity in all aspects.

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GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION:

Acreage: less than one acre
USGS Quad: Fromberg, Montana/7.5 minute/1956
UTM's: Zone 12 6 58 64⁰ Easting
5 0 38 750 Northing

Boundary: Lots 9, 10, and 11 of Block 12 of the Original Townsite of Joliet