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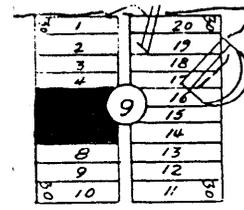
Site#

Legal Description: RVA, Block 9, Lots 5-6-7

Address: 608 North 7th Street

Ownership: Name: c/o Courtney Poulsen

private address: 622 N. 4th, Hamilton



Location map or building plan with arrow north.

Roll#10 Frame#4

Historic Name: Frank Wallin House

Common Name: same

Date of Construction: 1897 X estimated documented

Architect: unknown

Builder: unknown

Original Owner: Fred W. Grill

Original Use: residence

Present Use: residence

RESEARCH SOURCES:

Title Search: yes Tax Records: yes Bldg. Permit: no
Census Records: no Sewer/Water: no Sanborn Maps: 1914
Directories: yes Newspapers: yes

TITLE SEARCH

M.J. Allison, 1891
Mary Bell Parker, 1893, lots 6-7
Fred W. Grill, 1897, lot 5
Frank Wallin, 1900, lot 5
Lewis Peterson, 1919,
Henry See, 1928

BIBLIOGRAPHY:
RAVALLI REPUBLIC
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PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This is a one story, wood frame, gable front and cross gable building in a T-shape plan. Projecting from the back is a broad addition with a moderate pitch gable. Features include rubble stone foundation, broad wood water table, drop-lap siding with vertical corner trim. In the bay projecting towards 7th Street is an angle bay that has double hung windows on the sides and fixed picture with a colored glass transom. Tucked into the T-shape plan is a hip roof, open porch with turned spindle columns and bracketing. Other fenestration includes pairs of double hung 1/1 windows. There is a horizontal proportion slider in the back portion. It appears it was added to a wall that had no windows or was a replacement. There is a barge board beneath a horizontal box molded fascia board. Gable ends have full eave returns. The roof is asphalt shingle with metal ridge and ball motif. A square brick chimney projects from the center of the leg of the T. It has a metal vent stack cap. Ornamental louvered shutters have been applied to either side of the double hung windows. The front door is flush and wood with three step lites and aluminum storm. Front porch is concrete with a two riser step. There is no sidewalk approaching this door.

INTEGRITY

This building has excellent integrity with the exception of the concrete front porch, the louvered shutters and the asphalt shingles and the slider window in the back addition.

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Frank Wallin, a laborer and a teamster in Hamilton, lived at this address by 1907. He is listed in the city directories at this address through 1917. Wallin planted the apple orchard north of Hamilton in 1908 for the Bitter Root Orchard Co. This orchard was an important part of the apple boom.

By 1928, Henry See was living at this residence. Henry was born on the Skalkaho in 1892. He worked at the City Meat Market in Hamilton and the Wilkerson Slaughter House. In 1944, he became the manager of the meat department at the Fairway Market in Hamilton. He retired in 1959. He was a member of the Golden Age Club and the Fraternal Order of Eagles. He was an avid camper, hunter and fisherman all his life. The Sees lived here for more than 50 years.

Sources: RAVALLI REPUBLIC, January 22, 1981. - City directory, 1909-1911.

HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

Area of significance: architecture

Specific dates: c. 1897

Contributing buildings: 1

The Frank Wallin House is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places under criterion C as a well preserved example of a simple gable-ell form that dates to the late 1890's. The house exhibits distinctive detailing drawing from both the Queen Anne and Colonial Revival traditions. Although the porch floor has been replaced with concrete and a small shed roofed addition has been constructed to the rear, the house retains primary historic architectural integrity and well represents middle class housing in Hamilton during the early period of settlement.

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Acreage: less than one
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