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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

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This imposing home was originally designed as an English-type country estate, with extensive wooded grounds, reaching to the east to the Lakeview Cemetery and to the west down the steep hillside above Lake Union. The home was built of heavy stone masonry.

The turret-like masonry front entrance mass, with its leaded glass and carved ornamentation, gives the impression of an English maronial estate. The half timbered, stuccoed, many gabled wings of varying story heights and dimensions, are liberally equipped with bay windows. The number of chimneys indicates a quantity of fireplaces, one of which is on an exterior porch, providing warmth for a north-facing view spot.

The interior spaces are highly decorated in walnut panelling consistent with the building style. The great hall includes a massive fireplace.

In recent years the land to the east has been developed into residential plots of normal city size. Streets have cut through in a north-south direction. The most recent widening of Tenth Avenue East sweeps close to the kitchen end of the home. Parking is now designated on the eastern edge of the property, but the lawn remains to the south, and the wooded hillside remains to the west.



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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

The Leary home is impressive in itself, and was built by persons important in the history of Seattle.

The massive stone, stucco, and timber home was begun in 1905. It was designed by the English architect Arthur Bodley, and by the end of construction some four years later, was purported to have cost \$250,000. Mr. Leary, the owner, died in 1905, just after the home was begun.

Eliza Ferry Leary, his wife, was the daughter of Elisha Ferry, first governor of the State of Washington. John Leary was a lawyer until 1882 and then excelled in many business enterprises. He had come from the eastern part of the United States where he had been in lumbering and mercantile enterprises. Mr. Leary was mayor of Seattle in 1884. He was a promoter of coal mines and railroads, organized a gas company, and owned a business building.

The 14 room home planned by him was completed by Mrs. Leary after his death. She was a most gracious hostess in that setting until 1935. General Insurance Company then bought the home, to use as an office. Before it was so developed they gave it to the American Red Cross in World War II to use as office and headquarters. At that time it was opened briefly for tours to the public. In 1948 the Episcopal Church bought it. The Church also owns the similarly styled home to the south.

Eliza Ferry was part of the large family of Elisha Ferry, who came to Washington Territory in 1869 on the appointment of Pres. Grant as Surveyor General of W.T. In her own right, she was just as outstanding. She was a charter member of the Rainier Chapter of the D. A. R. in 1895, of the Seattle Red Cross, and of the Sunset Club and the Pioneers of the State of Washington. She was a founder of the Seattle Children's Pome in 1885, and of the Children's Orthopedic Hospital in 1907. She was a vice president of the Seattle Y.W.C.A. and was building chairman when the president YW building was constructed. On a national scale she was a member of the Oregon Trail marking organization. She was named a vice regent of the Mt. Vernon Ladres' Association of the Union in 1907, a voluntary post she held until her death in 1935. No one has filled the post since, although one vice regent is sought from each state, in order to run Mount Vernon. Mrs. Leary's home is an outstanding benument to a gracious and outstanding local citizen.

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