

MONTANA HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL INVENTORY

Site #



Legal Description: Block 3, Lot 3, 4, E 1/2 of Lot 5, Nelson Second Addition

Address: 320 Third Avenue West

Ownership: name: Julia M. Moss % John L. & Paulette Pratt

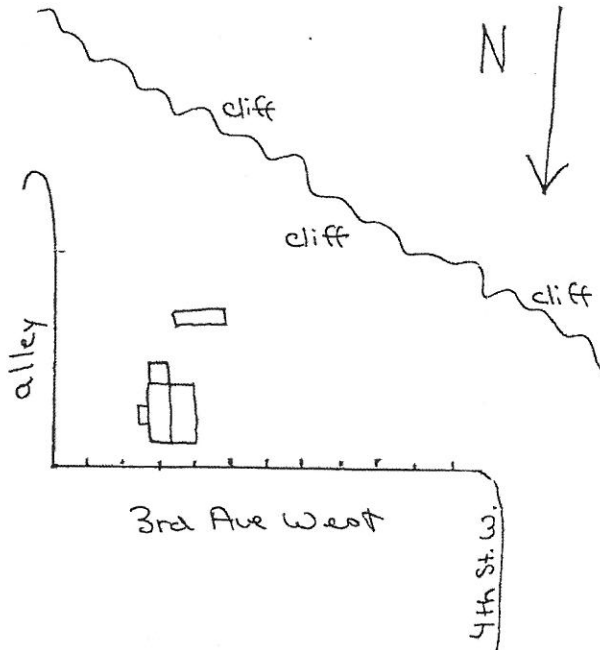
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address:

324 3rd Ave. West, Roundup, Mt.

Roll # A3

Frame # 29



Location map or building plan with arrow north.

Historic Name: _____

Common Name: _____

Date of Construction: 1913 Remodeled 1949 estimated documented

Architect: _____

Builder: _____

Original Owner: M.E. Swanson

Original Use: residence

Present Use: Residence

Research Sources:

- abstract of title
- plat records/maps
- tax cards
- building permit
- city directories
- sewer/water permits
- obituaries
- biographies

Sanborn maps — dates: 1912, 1920, before 1920

Bibliography: Area not mapped 1912

Chain of Ownership cards, Clerk and Recorder's Office

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: Describe present appearance of structure/site, then contrast and compare that with it's original appearance, noting additions, alterations, and changes in materials. Discuss significant architectural features.

This one and one-half story rectangular wood frame residence has a large steep gable roof with two large gable roof dormers to each side, an enclosed full front porch recessed under the roof and a shed roof enclosed porch to the rear. Other features include an interior stretcher bond brick chimney, a projecting hip roof bay window, enclosed extended molded eaves, pent roof partial gable returns and wood overlap siding. Dormer windows are rectangular wind casement windows. Other windows are narrow 1/1 double-hung in the gable in wood surround, with rip board and sill. The recessed enclosed front porch has six-light fixed row windows with two-light transoms all the way around it. The foundation is locally made cement block, with brick under the projecting bay. Modern asphalt shingles are on the roof. A cement retaining wall with decorative building blocks surrounds the front raising the property above the street.

Architecturally significant details include extended enclosed eaves, molded pent roof partial gable returns, and the full glassed in front porch.

To the rear is a round roofed corrugated metal garage with a pair of double garage doors.

This is a contributing structure.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE: Justify how the persons, important events, and/or historical patterns associated with the structure/site and surrounding area lend the property significance.

This structure was the residence of Martin R. Swanson. Swanson was born in Sweden in 1869 and came to Roundup in 1908 by way of Minnesota and North Dakota where he engaged in the grocery business (his was the first "exclusive" grocery store in Roundup in 1908) and the mercantile business (Hulstone Store). In 1912, he sold his mercantile business and became a shareholder in the Citizens' State Bank and was elected president of the bank the same year. Swanson owned the property from 1912 to 1931.

Sources: Sanders, History of Montana, Vol. 3, p. 1766
Roundup Record, 12/11/08; 6/25/09
Interview: Annie Larsen and Louise Rasmussen, 8/10/85
Polk City Directories
Chain of Ownership cards

INTEGRITY: Assess the degree to which the structure/site, and surrounding area accurately convey the historical associations of the property.

This fine house is located in an area of larger homes and more moderate, smaller homes. This house despite some remodeling, retains integrity of materials (overlapping siding), craftsmanship (pent roof partial gable returns), and design (glassed in recessed porch). It is a fine addition to a possible historic district.

INFORMATION VALUE: Explain how the extant structure/site may demonstrate or yield information about its historic use or construction.

FORM PREPARED BY:

Name: Elizabeth Wood/William Babcock

Address: Box 12, Roundup, Mt.

Date: July 13, 1983

GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION:

Acreage: Less than one acre.

USGS Quad: Roundup, Mt.

UTM's: _____