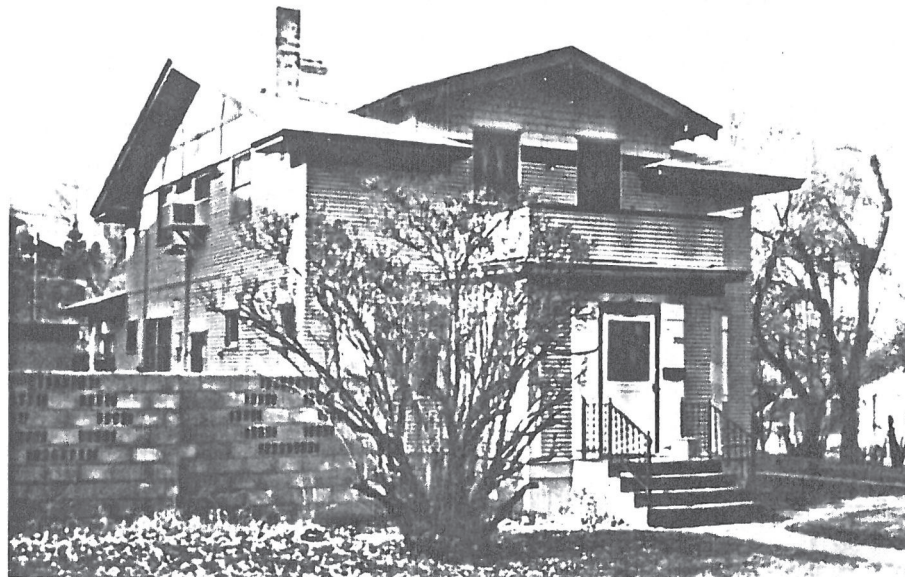
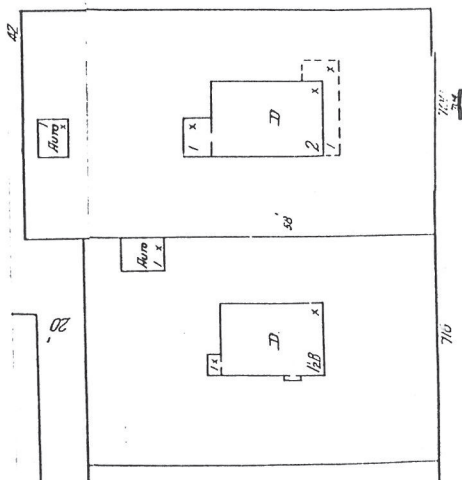


MONTANA HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL
INVENTORY FORM



Roll# 1 Frame# 30

Legal Description: Ken-Wright Hills Second Addition, Block 1,

All of Lots 28-30

Address: 700 First Avenue

Ownership Name: J. Ettien

Address: 700 First Avenue

private: x

public:

Historic Name: L.V. Beaulieu House

Common Name: unknown

Date of Construction: 1914 (water record)

Architect: N/A

Builder: unknown

Original Owner: L.V. Beaulieu

Original Use: Single-family residence

Present Use: Single-family residence

Physical Description:

One-and-one-half story, 3 x 2 bay, wood-frame, Craftsman/American Foursquare residence. Eaves-front gable roof with mild returns. Clapboard siding. Gables on north and south sides have false half-timbering. Asphalt shingle (originally wood shingle up until 1939) roof. Large wall dormer with shallow gable on main (E) facade is partially wood-shingled. This gives access to second story open-air deck with parapet sidewalls directly above primary central entry. Access to primary entry is via a flight of concrete stairs. Interior brick chimney. Concrete foundation. The windows are all wood casement type. Some have lozenging. Those of the first floor have wood slab shutters, as does the primary entry.

Site slopes down slightly to the north. There is a much greater rise in elevation to the south, forming in essence a physical barrier. Rear and side yards are enclosed within a wall of cinderblocks. Concrete retaining walls are required along the southern and western edges of the property.

Associated structure: Large 2 x 1 bay, flat-roofed, wood-framed, structure that includes a separate apartment (30 Seventh Street) and a garage is situated perpendicular and behind the main structure. The residential apartment has been onto the original c. 1920 detached garage, although a great deal else has been added to it over time. The structure faces north and access is via Seventh Street. It is partially built into a steep hillside to the south. The older garage section does not retain its architectural integrity and would not contribute to the proposed historic district.

Historical Information:

The main dwelling first appears on the 1920 Sanborn Map along with a single-story, single-bay, detached garage. The water records indicate that there was a house standing here by 1914 and was originally owned by Leo V. Beaulieu. Mr. Beaulieu (1880 - ?) was the attorney for Hill County in 1915.

Both the house and the garage appear unchanged on the 1939 Sanborn Map. Since then, however, the garage has been incorporated into a much larger detached structure including a separate living apartment. Also, the full-width open-air wraparound porch of the main house has been lost.

The 1929-30 Polk City directory lists the owner and resident as John H. Berry. John Berry was a machine helper for the Great Northern Railway. Raymond Berry, an engineer for the Great Northern, also resided there.

Footnote Sources:

Grits, Guts and Gusto: A History of Hill County. Compiled by the Hill County Bicentennial Commission. (Havre: Bear Paw Printers, 1976), pp. 187-88.

Polk's Directory, Havre and Hill County, 1915-16, 1929-30.

Research Sources:

Assessor's Records, Hill County, Hill County Courthouse, Havre, Montana.

Sanborn Maps: 1920, 1939.

Water Record no. 587 (1914) and Sewer Record no. 495 (1919), Department of Public Works, City of Havre, Havre, Montana.

Integrity:

This building has lost its original full-width open-air porch. Otherwise it retains a large proportion of its historic character and architectural integrity. This building retains much of its original configuration and plan, historic fabric (clapboard siding) and styling details (window lozenging, false half-timbering).

Significance:

This building retains much of its Craftsman/American Four-square influence and would qualify for the National Register under criteria A and would contribute to the proposed historic district.

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Geographical Information:

Acreage: Less than one acre

USGS Quad: Havre, Montana

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