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MONTANA HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL INVENTORY FORM





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Legal Description: Pepin's Second Addition, block 5, Part of Lots 1-3 Address: 514 Fifth Street Ownership Name: Gladys Pfeiffer Address: 518 Fifth street, Havre, Montana 59501 private: x public:

<u>Historic Name</u>: Frank Mason House <u>Common Name</u>: unknown <u>Date of Construction</u>: 1928 (Building Permit) <u>Architect</u>: N/A <u>Builder</u>: Charles C. Harper <u>Original Owner</u>: Frank Mason <u>Original Use</u>: Single-Family Residence <u>Present Use</u>: Single-Family Residence

## Physical Description:

Single-story plus attic, 3 x 2 bay, wood-frame Neo-Colonial residence. Asphalt-shingled (originally wood-shingled up until at least 1939) clipped-gable roof with two eyebrow dormers. Interior brick chimney. Aluminum sided. Concrete foundation.

Central primary entry sheltered by segmentally-arched overdoor supported by two corner wooden Tuscan columns. The entry is flanked by two large picture windows. The side (E & W) facades have paired 6/1 double-hung wood sash windows with aluminum awnings above.

The site is raise slightly from that of the street.

Associated structures:

(See 504 Fifth Street for photograph of garage.)

1) A three-bay (originally two-bay garage) is situated behind (S) and to the west of the main house. The two easternmost bays are owned by the owner of 514 Fifth Street, while the other belongs to the owner of 504 Fifth Street. It was built before 1939 by two related to the same woman; one was her brother; the other her husband. The garage has undergone some renovation (i.e. the aluminum siding on its main (N) facade and the addition of an extra bay on the east). Originally it was stuccoed. This structure has lost its architectural integrity due to substantial renovations and would contribute to the proposed historic district.



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1) Detached secondary duplex (516/518 Fifth Street) is situated behind (S) and to the east of the main structure. According to Building Permit No. 3152 it was built by the Modern Construction Company in 1947 and because it was built so recently it would not qualify for the National Register and would not contribute to the proposed historic district.

Historical Information:

According to conversations with the present owners this house (514 Fifth Street) and its neighbor to the west (504 Fifth Street) were both built by the same individual - Charles C. Harper. The earliest water records show that it was built in 1928 and that it was originally owned by Frank Mason. This house was one of three (505,514 and 515) constructed on this block in 1928.

Footnote Sources:

1. Havre Daily News, January 26, 1929.

Conversation with long-time resident of 504 Fifth Street, 5/16/88.

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

Sanborn Maps: 1910, 1920, 1939.

#### Research Sources:

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

Building Permit No. 3152, Dated April 21, 1948, Department of Public Works, City of Havre, Havre, Montana.

Water Record no. 1178 (1928), and Sewer Record no. 938 (1928), Department of Public Works, City of Havre, Havre, Montana.

#### Integrity:

Good. This building retains its original configuration and its styling details (eyebrow dormers, entry overdoor).

### Significance:

This structure retains its architectural character and would contribute as a component within the proposed historic district. As such it would qualify for the National register under criteria C. The two associated structures, however, would not.

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## Geographical Information:

Acreage: Less than one acre USGS Quad: Havre, Montana UTM's: