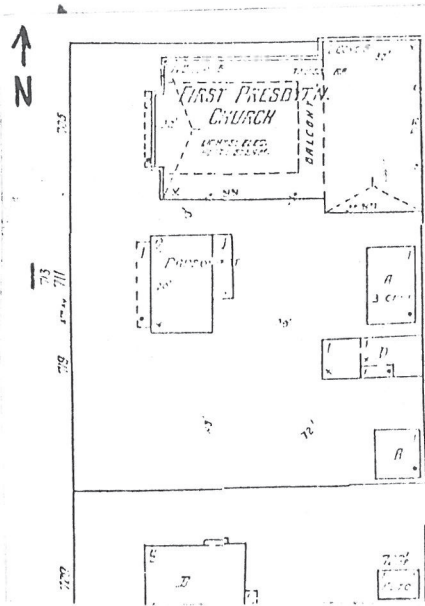


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MONTANA HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL  
INVENTORY FORM



Roll# 33 Frame# 8  
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Legal Description: Second High School Addition, Block 2, Lots 3 & 4  
Address: 711 Fourth Avenue  
Ownership Name: First Presbyterian Church of Havre  
Address: P.O. Box 1046, Havre, MT 59501  
private: x  
public:

Historic Name: First Presbyterian Church Manse  
Common Name: Presbyterian Manse  
Date of Construction: 1917 (Water Record)  
Architect: Unknown  
Builder: Unknown  
Original Owner: First Presbyterian Church of Havre  
Original Use: Single-family Residence  
Present Use: Single-family Residence

Physical Description:

Two story wood frame Colonial-style manse. 3 x 2 bay. Gable roof over rectangular plan. Wood shingle roof. Eaves have decorative supports and wood board soffits. Balcony on facade is supported by square columns and doubles as roof for open porch that covers facade. Wood railing with heavy posts around balcony. Clapboard siding over original brick veneer. Interior brick chimney has corbeled cap. Raised concrete foundation with wood water table.

Entry is central to facade and is reached by concrete steps. Door is original wood multi-lighted with sidelights. 4/4 double-hung sash windows on first story. Second story has 10/1 double hung sash windows. First story facade has a fixed picture window on either side of the door. Windows have multi-lighted toplights. There are two lunette windows on each wall (N & S) for the attic.

Site is slightly raised and bermed to level of sidewalk.

#### Historical Information

The 1920 Sanborn map shows this as a two story parsonage with stone walls (now clapboard clad). While the main structure was wood shingled, the porch/balcony on the facade was asphalt roofed. By 1939, a three car garage had been added to the rear of the lot. There were no significant exterior alterations to the manse. In 1920, the map shows this building with "715" as the address. By 1939, it was "713" and in 1954, it was listed as "705".

Construction on this house began in 1917 at approximately the same time as the church next door. Reverend Conrad Weller was the first occupant of the new manse. By 1929, Fred and Stella Farley were living in the house. The Polk Directory lists Farley as an inspector.

#### Footnote Sources:

Grits, Guts and Gusto: A History of Hill County. Compiled by the Hill County Bicentennial Commission. (Havre: Bear Paw Printers, 1976), pp. 327-329.

Polk Directory, Havre and Chouteau County, 1909.

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

Sanborn Maps, 1910, 1920 and 1939.

#### Research Sources:

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

Water Record no.781 (1917) and Sewer Record no.452 (1917), Department of Public Works, City of Havre, Havre, Montana

#### Integrity:

This structure retains its original configuration, historic fabric and many distinctive features indicative of its craftsman styling.

#### Significance:

This building maintains a high level of architectural integrity and would strongly contribute to the proposed Historic District. It would qualify for the National Register under criteria C as a good local example of a church-related structure built in Havre during the period of its greatest demographic and economic growth from 1913 to 1917.

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Geographical Information

Acreage: Less than one acre

USGS Quad: Havre, Montana

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