

**SOUTH DAKOTA HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY**

Historic Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address/Location 920 FAIRVIEW ST.

Common Name \_\_\_\_\_

Historic Function \_\_\_\_\_

Historic Context(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Address \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) of Construction \_\_\_\_\_

Photographer \_\_\_\_\_

Roll # \_\_\_\_\_ Frame #'s \_\_\_\_\_  
(Attach Photographs Below)

Site Number

PN  RC  RC  WB  301  
CTY TWP CIT NBH NUM

DBASE \_\_\_\_\_

U.S.G.S. Quad Map Name  
\_\_\_\_\_

Legal Description

Q1 Q2 SEC TWP RNG

Urban LOT \_\_\_\_\_ BLK \_\_\_\_\_  
Only ADD \_\_\_\_\_

Surveyors  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

NR Eligible Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
Future NR Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Significance

HIST  ARCH  ARCE  
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**Historic Name**

**Address/Location** 920 Fairview Street

**Common Name**

**Historic Function** House

**Historic Context(s)** V. Depression & Rebuilding: A.  
Changing Urban Patterns: 3.  
Residential Changes

**Owner's Name** Wilmar & Ruth Fritts

**Owner's Address** 920 Fairview Street  
Rapid City, SD 57701

**Owner's Phone #** (605) 342-2962

**Date(s) of Construction** Circa 1912

**Photographer** M. Hufstetler  
**Roll #** 18 **Frame #'s** 8-10, 30  
(Attach Photographs Below)

**Site Number**  
PN- RC -RC -WB-00301  
CTY TWP CIT NBH NUM

**DBASE** 0000000000

**U.S.G.S. Quad Map Name**

**Legal Description**  
0  
Q1 Q2 SEC TWP RNG  
Urban Only BLK 34  
LOT 23-24  
ADD Boulevard

**Surveyors**  
M. Hufstetler/RTI

**Date** 07/18/1991

**NR Eligible** Y

**Future NR** Y

**Significance** HIST, ARCH  
LOCAL



**HISTORY AND CONTEXT**

**Dates:**

Founding of Institution or Settlement 1876  
Town and Addition Platted 1877 1885 Initial Construction of Structure 1912

**Original Owners:**

Name (Include Spouse if Known)  
Place of Origin  
Date Arrived in S.D. 0000 In USA 0000

Occupation(s)

Religious Affiliation  
Social/Fraternal Affiliation

**Other Previous Owners:**

Names and Dates of Occupation Charles & Olive McWilliams (R.L. Polk:  
1928-31, lists Charles as a salesman)

**Structural History:**

Architect's Name and  
Date of Commission

Builder's Name  
Pattern, Book and Number/Name

Historic Uses of the Site House

Changes in Use

**Statement of Historical Significance: (Including Relation to Historic  
Context Topics and Study Units)**

This property has the potential to contribute to the West Boulevard Historic District. It is significant for its association with the growth of and development of the West Boulevard neighborhood in Rapid City from 1878 to 1942. Built circa 1912, the house corresponds with the rebuilding phase of residential development in Rapid City (1898 to 1929), a period in which the West Boulevard neighborhood rapidly grew in response to tremendous population growth in the city. The property illustrates the varied economic status of the neighborhood's inhabitants during this period and serves as a representative example of residential architecture popular at the time.

**Miscellaneous Historical Information:**

The tax assessors' card for the house provides a year-built date of 1912, which can not be confirmed but is an appropriate estimation. The builder and original house owner are unknown.

**Bibliography:**

Oral Interview (Name, Date & Relationship to Site)

Atlas (Date & Publisher)

County History (Title & Pages)

Deed Abstract

Tax Records Assessors' Card: 1912

Sanborn-Ferris Maps (Dates)

1923 (earliest edition for area), 1930

Census Records

Historical Photos (Description & Date)

Manuscripts (Name & Date)

Directories (Type & Date)

R.L. Polk: 1928, 1930-31

Other Sources

ARCHITECTURAL EVALUATION/PRINCIPAL STRUCTURE

General Information:

Building # 1

Site No. PN-RC -RC-WB-00301 Date of Construction c.1912 Photos 8-10

Function House	Plan Form Rectangular	Height (Stories) 1
	Method of	Overall
Style Craftsman Bungalow	Construction Wood-frame	Condition E

Additions & Alterations (Types & Dates)

Garage attachment: likely modern

Evaluation of Specific Elements:

Foundation: Materials Concrete		Condition G	
Walls: Cladding Clapboard		Condition E	
Windows: General/ Type	Glazing	Condition	Location
Unique	Pattern		
G Double-hung, wood-sash	1/1	G	
Doors: Type	Glazing Pattern	Condition	Location
Modern, hollow-core	3 lights	G	South
Roof: Form Jerkin	Materials Wood shingles	Condition G	
Dormer: Type	Condition		
Chimneys/Ventilators: Materials Brick chimney		Condition (	
Location(s) Interior: east slope			
Porches: Materials	Condition Height Roof	Location	
	(Stories) Configuration		
Open: wood	E 1 Jerkin		South
Bays/Towers: Form	Condition	Height(Stories)	Location(s)

**Significant Exterior Details:**

Roof: wide eave overhangs with exposed rafter tails, & knee-braces under the gables

Front (south) porch: clapboard railing & short battered columns

Full-length, gabled-wing at rear (north): same materials as main unit

**Significant Interior Details:**

Interior not accessed

ARCHITECTURAL EVALUATION/ANCILLARY STRUCTURES

Site No. PN-RC -RC-WB-0030

Bldg#	Date	C/NC	Function	Photo#	Construction Method	Height
2	c.1910	NC	Garage	30	Wood-frame	1

Individual Element Cond

Overall Condition	G	Foundation: Materials-	Not visible			G
		Walls: Cladding-	Clapboard			G
Windows:		Type & Glazing Pattern-				
Doors:		Type & Glazing Pattern-				
Roof:		Form & Materials-	Shed			G
Chimney/Vent:		Material & Location-				

Significant Exterior Details

The garage is attached to rear wing of house. Its roof has a gabled parapet on front (south), and plain parapets on sides (east & west).

Significant Interior Details

Not accessed

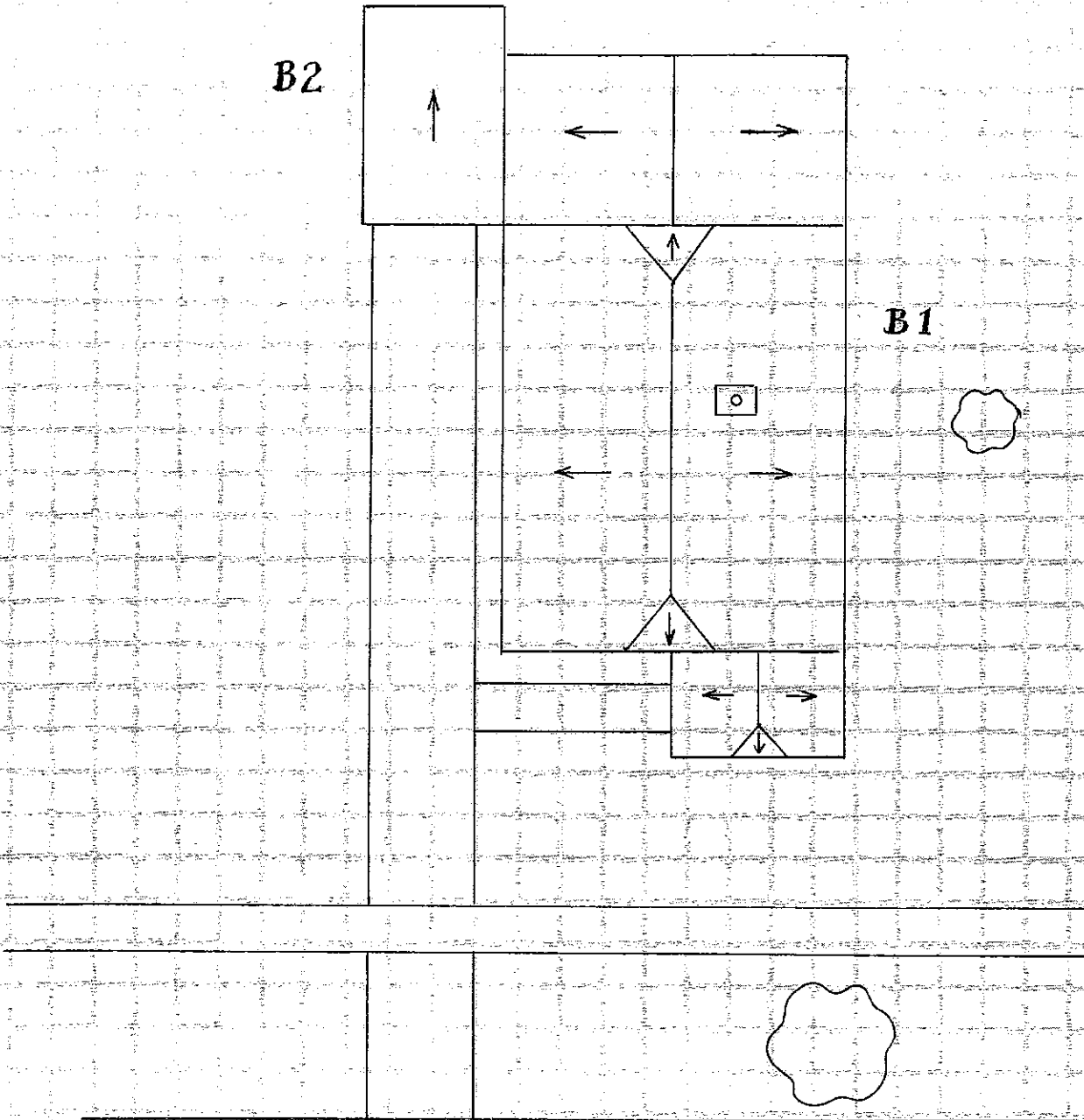
Alterations & Dates

The garage was likely moved to the property; it appears to be a 1910s building, but is not depicted on the 1923 or 1930 Sanborns. The garage door has been in-filled to support the building's conversion into living space.  
Change in Use Converted into living space.

Site Plan: Indicate all door and window openings, roof shapes, and landscape features.



Indicate North



FAIRVIEW ST.