

# CITY OF STILLWATER ARCHITECTURE- HISTORY INVENTORY FORM

**Address:** 814 South Second St.

**Inventory No:** WA-SWC-1413

**Historic Name:** William McPherson

**County:** Washington

**Current Owner:** Unlisted

**City/Township:** Stillwater

**GEO CODE:** 3303020110042

**Township:** T30N R20W, Section 33 (NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 )

**U.S.G.S. Quad Map:** Stillwater, Minn-Wisc., 1967, photorevised 1993

**U.T.M.:** 15-515400 4988150

**Architect/Contractor:**

**Style:** Queen Anne

**Date Built:** 1874

**Photo Number(s):** 014583

**Frame(s)** 06

**Survey Name:** East 1/2 of Churchill, Nelson & Slaughter's Addition HPPA

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**Date Surveyed:** February-June, 2003

**Physical Description:** A large kind of cross gable house with a turret and a large addition on the rear. It appears extensive remodeling was done in the 1890's.

**Significance:** This house is \_\_\_ is not\_\_X\_ preliminarily eligible to the National Register of Historic Places.

**Statewide Historic Contexts:** St. Croix Triangle Lumbering, 1843 -1914.

**Local Historic Context:** Development of Residential Neighborhoods in Stillwater, 1850s-1940s.

**National Register Eligible (prelim.):** \_\_\_ Yes \_\_X\_\_No

**Date listed on the National Register:**

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**Address:** 814 South Second Street                      **Inventory No.** WA-SWC-1413

**Present Use:** Residential, single family

**Zoning District:** RB-2 family residential

**Integrity:**

Excellent

Good

Fair

Poor

**Condition:**

Excellent

Good

Fair

Poor

**Stories:** 2

**Roof style or shape:** Peaked

**Structural System:** Wood

**Windows:** 1x1

**Foundation:** Limestone

**Wall Treatment:** Aluminum siding

**Alterations:**

**Legal Description:** Churchill, Nelson & Slaughter's Addition  
**Block 3      Lot 12 & 13**

**Historic Information:** William McPherson bought Lots 12 and 13, Block 3, in October of 1874. The tax assessor's record for that same year lists a value of \$1400 for the lot and improvements — indicating a medium size house, which took the number, 814 South Second Street. McPherson worked for E.L. Hospes & Co, a hardware dealer in downtown Stillwater. In April of 1888, George Walters, a policeman and owner of the house took out a building permit to repair the original house. According to the permit, the original house was one-story, 22 feet wide by 38 feet deep. The proposed repairs were necessary because of "*decay*," and would cost \$90. They included a new roof and "*repairing of outside of Building*." In the winter of 1909, a new \$150 front porch was added to the house. The appearance of the house suggest that major renovation and additions were done in the 1890's.

**Sources:**

SAM 7, Roll 4; Y Deeds 266; 1877 & 1887 Stillwater City Directory; City of Stillwater Building Permit #'s 273, 1371..

**Open to the public:**       Yes                       No                       Limit