

CITY OF STILLWATER ARCHITECTURE- HISTORY INVENTORY FORM

Address: 815 South Second St.

Inventory No: WA-SWC-1414

Historic Name: Kate Glaspie

County: Washington

Current Owner: Unlisted

City/Township: Stillwater

GEO CODE: 3303020110028

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 4988140

Architect/Contractor:

Style: Queen Anne

Date Built: 1896

Photo Number(s): 014583

Frame(s) 05

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

Form prepared by: Donald Empson, Empson Archives

Date Surveyed: February-June, 2003

Physical Description: A modified Queen Anne with a later front porch, sleeping porch in the rear, and fish scale shingles.

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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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: Wood lap siding

Alterations:

Legal Description: Churchill, Nelson & Slaughter's Addition
Block 2 Lot 18 & 19

Historic Information: Mary and Patrick McGoldrick owned Lots 16, 17, 18, 19, and it appears they built a home which took the number 815 S. Second Street, in the early 1870's. In the 1877 Stillwater City Directory, Patrick McGoldrick is listed as living on the corner of Second and Churchill Streets. What happened to this first house is uncertain, but John and Kate Glaspie purchased Lots 18 & 19, Block 2, in 1891. John was, at this time, engaged in real estate dealing working out of his house at 719 South Third Street. Less than two years later, John died unexpectedly at age 49. Perhaps with the insurance money, Kate Glaspie had this \$1,200, two-story house, 28 feet by 40 feet, built by the Stillwater Manufacturing Company in 1896. In 1910, the home's third owner, Daniel Doyle, added on a \$400 front porch, and in 1919, a sleeping porch was added.

This is a fancy version of a turn of the century house in the Midwest — the kind of old house seen in Walt Disney movies. The front porch has capitals on the porch columns, dentils, fish scale shingles, brackets, stone pillars supporting the porch, recessed panels in the porch, and touches of gingerbread. The leaded glass sidelights on the front door and the six sided door knobs; the spacious front hallway with fireplace; the newell post, stair rail spindles, and the radiators with ears are all typical of this period. The back stairs, second floor sleeping porches, and walk-up attic all indicate a typical Queen Anne style house of the 1890's. The owner has decorated the house in period colors and wallpapers, and furnished the house with furniture appropriate to its age. It is easy to see why the movie makers, who specialize in illusion, were anxious to use this house to recreate a sense of the past in their movie. This house was used as a movie set for the movie The Cure made in 19??.

Sources:

Stillwater City Directories 1892-1894; City of Stillwater Building Permits #'s 901, 1382, 1751; 48 Deeds 309; 58 Deeds 572.

Open to the public: Yes No Limit