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INDIVIDUAL DATA SHEET

General Description

Code: NE-075

Congressional District: Fourth

Name: D.L. McRae House

Current Owner: R. K. McCasland

Address: 424 E. Main
Prescott, Arkansas

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Prescott, Arkansas 71857

County: Nevada

Architectural Information

Architectural Firm: Charles Thompson

Date of Construction: ca. 1912

Stylistic Influence: Craftsman

Original Use: Residence

Present Use: Residence

Geographical Information

UTM Reference: 15 465070/3739750

Acreage: Less than one

Verbal Boundary Description: Brad Scott Addition to the City of Prescott
all Lot 9 NE 85' of Lot 8 Block 49

Condition

Excellent
 Good
 Fair

Deteriorated
 Ruins
 Unexposed

Unaltered
 Altered

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Physical Description

Located on a wide corner lot with large shade trees, this one and one-half story frame house was designed by Charles Thompson. The long gable end roof slopes low to shelter the full-length front porch (which is screened in at one end) which is the dominant feature in the overall effect of long, low proportions. A wide shingled dormer with three windows, each having a gable roof, interrupts the roofline. To minimize vertical orientation, the two outer dormers have clipped gable roofs. Two one-story projections form cross gables on the side elevations. Decorative details are few and simple, for the principal ones being the four box columns with simple curved capitals and stepped bases which support the porch roof. An unusual porch balustrade consists of slender balusters grouped in threes between the porch columns. Multi-paned windows appear in the front door, sidelight and dormers. Other sash windows have twelve-over-one lights. As in several of Thompson's small-town houses, an air of shady seclusion and outdoor living is created by the spacious shady porch and the sheltering effect of the roof.

Statement of Significance

The D. L. McRae House in Prescott is another Charles L. Thompson design for a small-town cottage with the familiar variation of a central dormer. This ca. 1912 design focuses on attention to detail. As an example, drain pipes were incorporated unobtrusively into the design of the house.