

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

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1. Name

historic McCollum, Robert, House

and/or common N/A

2. Location

street & number 708^{E.} Shoshone Street East N/A not for publication

city, town Twin Falls N/A vicinity of ~~congressional district~~

state Idaho code 16 county Twin Falls code 83

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u>N/A</u> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<u>N/A</u> being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Wilson House Partnership

street & number Box 820

city, town Twin Falls N/A vicinity of state Idaho 83301

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Twin Falls County Courthouse

street & number 425 Shoshone North

city, town Twin Falls state Idaho 83301

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Idaho State Historic Sites Inventory has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date 1972 federal state county local

depository for survey records Idaho State Historical Society

city, town Boise state Idaho

7. Description

Condition excellent good fair deteriorated ruins unexposed**Check one** unaltered altered**Check one** original site moveddate N/A

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Robert McCollum House is a one-story wood frame bungalow with detailing influenced by the Western Stick style. The multi-gabled roof extends beyond the walls on all sides, punctuated by a double bargeboard and exposed slatted rafters and purlins. The roof has its original cedar shingles. The low gables are supported on double knee braces and quadrupled porch posts on brick piers. Gable ends are finished with a rough textured stucco. Siding is redwood. On one side, sculptured rafters extend to form an arbor. The living room picture windows are flanked by twelve-light double-hung sashes. The multi-light motif continues in other windows and in the front door, which has beveled glass and ornamental caning. Interior woodwork and French doors are of oak.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates 1910s **Builder/Architect** Unknown

Statement of Significance (In one paragraph)

The Robert McCollum House is architecturally significant as one of the best preserved, most elaborate, and most finely executed examples of the bungalow style in Twin Falls. Its design is Stick style elaborations on the bungalow and it is a good representative of this blend with its multiple gables and emphasized purlins, rafters, bargeboards, and porch posts. The house is historically significant for its association with Robert McCollum, who had it built to replace his original "large, ornate shanty with a porch attached and a tent in the rear." McCollum had published a newspapers in Colorado and Idaho prior to becoming secretary and local manager of an investment company which developed Twin Falls' town-site, where he was the only settler in 1904. Twin Falls immediately became a major Idaho city, and McCollum received a great deal of credit for managing that expansion efficiently.

9. Major Bibliographical References

- French, Hiram T. History of Idaho. Chicago and New York: The Lewis Publishing Company, 191
Vol. I, pp. 259-60, Vol. II, p. 1061.
- Wright, Patricia. Twin Falls Country: A Look at Idaho Architecture. Boise: Idaho State
Historical Society Preservation Office, 1979, p. 53.

10. Geographical Data

Acreege of nominated property less than one

Quadrangle name Twin Falls

Quadrangle scale 7.5 minute

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Verbal boundary description and justification

The nomination includes the Robert McCollum House and the property on which it stands, the southwest 75 feet of lots 9 and 10, block 17, Twin Falls Townsite.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state N/A code N/A county N/A code N/A

state N/A code N/A county N/A code N/A

11. Form Prepared By

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organization Idaho State Historical Society date 14 September 1982

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city or town Boise state Idaho 83702-7695

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

Merle Wells

title State Historic Preservation Officer

date 16 September 1982

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

Entered in the
National Register

date 11/4/82

John Nelson Bryan
Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration



McCollum, Robert, House
708 Shoshone Street East
Twin Falls, Twin Falls County, Idaho

Photograph by Duane Garrett
1978

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Society, Boise, Idaho

View from west

Photograph 1 of 1