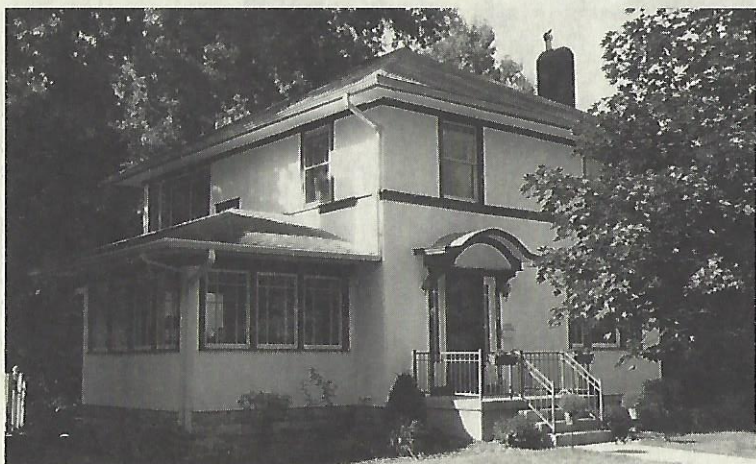




2324 Jersey Street

Prairie Box Style • 1925 • Architect unknown
Phillip and Mary Hess Home

Phillip and Mary Hess built their Prairie style home in 1925. Hess was the proprietor of East End Garage, 1833-35 Hampshire. A.R. and Helen Larson and family lived there starting in 1928; he was a traveling salesman for Cole, Rood and Hoan shoes out of Chicago.

This home is a fine example of the Prairie Box or American Foursquare subtype of the Prairie style of architecture. It has a low-pitched hipped roof and symmetrical façade. The entrance is off center and a conspicuous focal point of the façade with its eyebrow shaped entry porch roof. The windows are double hung sash with three over one panel. There is contrasting wood trim between the stories and around the windows.

The current owner has renovated the home during the past year. The hardwood floors on the main level have the original finish and were uncovered under wall-to-wall carpet. The kitchen has a new ceramic tile floor as well as a new counter and appliances. Both the upstairs and downstairs bathrooms have new tile floors. The upstairs bathroom has been totally renovated with new glass doors on the tub/shower, and a new sink. New paint is found throughout the house.

Prairie style woodwork adorns the staircase. The fireplace is original to the home. The sunroom is now the owner's office providing a great view of the neighborhood. The spacious screened back porch is a favorite place for the family to relax. It overlooks the sunken back yard and the owners' beautiful shade gardens.

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