

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Continuation Sheet

Section 7

Continuation Sheets Individual Properties

Ravenna-Cowen North Historic District

Site ID: 23-6224

Address: 6224 23rd Avenue NE

Parcel No: 91060000190

Built: ca. 1922

Style: Colonial Revival

Architect: Not Identified

Classification: Historic Contributing

Historic Names:

Original Owner(s): Lulu M. Murphy

Source: PSRA, KCA, ST

Sub Group: Bungalow (remodel)

Builder/Contractor: W. I. Davis

Description: This one-story Colonial Revival house has a brick masonry entry porch partially sheltered by a central low pitched arched roof supported on decorative brackets; the entry has been modified, although the house and 1922 cottage also on this site otherwise retain most of their original features. The central entry doorway is flanked on both sides by a pair of wood-sash tripartite windows with eight-light outer sections. A basement garage door is located under the southern tripartite window. The house is sheathed with horizontal bevel siding and all roofs have eave returns.

Cultural Data: In 1949, "slim, serious" Melvin M. Rader (1903-1981), a philosophy professor at the University of Washington, was finally able to clear his name of the accusation that he was a Communist spy. He had been accused of having attended a known Communist school in New York state, but after a lengthy fight he was able to prove that he was in fact in Washington state at the time, and also that he was not a member of the Communist Party. His accuser was discredited and found to have perjured himself. In 1969, the University of Washington Press published Professor Rader's book, "False Witness," about his experience.

Home Owners/Occupants

Year:

1922 - At Least 1923

1924 - At Least 1935

1948 - At Least 1949

1996, also 2012 - 2015

1996 - 2012

2015 - Current

Name:

Lulu M. Murphy

Thomas. P. & Genevieve Conlon

Melvin M. & Virginia Rader

Ronald Kasprisin

Molly Walton Ronald Kasprisin

Linnea C. & Norma Jean Sands

Accessory Structure: Cottage

Built: 1922

Classification: Historic Contributing



1937



2018