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Without a demolition review, the only Frank Lloyd Wright designed home existing in Oregon could have been demolished. It was in serious disrepair and slated to be razed and replaced by a larger home in 2000. Without the assistance of local administrators, volunteers, the Frank Lloyd Wright Building Conservancy, and the generosity of the City of Silverton, this Oregon treasure could have been lost. Instead, a hardy crew of volunteers and interested organizations, having only 105 days, due to legal constrictions, were able to disassemble the 2130 square foot home and move it next to the Oregon Garden. It now attracts over 4,000 visitors from all over the world and contributes more than a million dollars to the Oregon economy.