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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Glendale School

AND/OR COMMON

Same

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Corner of South Virginia
Street and Lietzke Lane

__NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Reno

__ VICINITY OF

Nevada

STATE

CODE

COUNTY

CODE

Nevada

32

Washoe

031

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

OWNERSHIP

STATUS

PRESENT USE

__DISTRICT

__PUBLIC

__OCCUPIED

__AGRICULTURE

MUSEUM

BUILDING(S)

__PRIVATE

UNOCCUPIED

__COMMERCIAL

__PARK

__STRUCTURE

BOTH

__WORK IN PROGRESS

__EDUCATIONAL

__PRIVATE RESIDENCE

__SITE

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

ACCESSIBLE

__ENTERTAINMENT

__RELIGIOUS

__OBJECT

__IN PROCESS

YES: RESTRICTED

__GOVERNMENT

__SCIENTIFIC

__BEING CONSIDERED

__YES: UNRESTRICTED

__INDUSTRIAL

__TRANSPORTATION

__NO

__MILITARY

__OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Washoe County School District
(leased to Washoe Landmark Preservation, Inc.)

STREET & NUMBER

425 East Ninth Street

CITY, TOWN

STATE

Reno

__ VICINITY OF

Nevada

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Washoe County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

South Virginia at Court Street

CITY, TOWN

STATE

Reno

Nevada

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Nevada Historical Sites, Mordy and McCaughey

DATE

1968

__FEDERAL STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Western Studies Center, Desert Research Institute, UNR

CITY, TOWN

STATE

Reno

Nevada

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MOVED
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		DATE <u>1976</u>

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

I. GENERAL DESCRIPTION/SITE DESCRIPTION

- A. Original Appearance: the Glendale School was a gabled, one-room structure of rather austere design. Ornamentation chiefly manifested itself in the form of a cupola which housed the school bell. Originally, the brick chimney was located on the roof ridge.
- B. Present Appearance: the school now possesses an entry vestibule which was added some time prior to 1935, according to photographs. A rear addition was also added, but this has since been removed. The brick chimney has been relocated to the north slope of the roof to accommodate an interior stove.

The Glendale School was relocated from its original site to its present site in January, 1976. The school now sits adjacent to the Lake Mansion, another relocated 19th century structure, on a lot near Reno's coliseum complex.

II. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

- A. Plan/Axis: the school's plan is rectangular and oriented east/west. The front faces west.
- B. Foundation: originally rubble stone, the present foundation is concrete chain wall.
- C. Structure: wood frame.
- D. Facade: the sheathing is shiplap siding from foundation to the fascia boards. Building corners feature 3" wide vertical corner trim which features 1/2 round moulding, suggestive of column capitals. Frieze turns the corners approximately 6".
- E. Fenestration: two (2) windows exist on each of the side walls (north, south) making a total of four (4). An entry door in front and a rear door also exist. The former is located in the center of the entry vestibule. Originally, prior to the addition of the vestibule, the structure featured two (2) entry doors. The entry vestibule also features two small double-hung windows on the south side.

Trim for windows and doors is flat board. Windows are rectangular. Window head surround is wood trim which is suggestive of the label style, but without the turned out ends. Glazing originally, was 6/6 in double-hung sash. Glazing today is 2/2.

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
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<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 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 April, 1864 to 1958 BUILDER/ARCHITECT Archie Bryant/Unknown

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Glendale School, erected in 1864, is of local historic significance because it was the first educational institution in the Truckee Meadows. The community of Glendale was known simply as Stone and Gates Crossing at that time, the name of Glendale not being adopted until 1866. In 1857, Charles C. Gates and John F. Stone had set up a trading post in the area and a rope ferry across the Truckee River. Three years later, they erected a toll bridge. Ranchers and farmers also began to take up land in the area, and several businesses came to be established.

One of those who purchased a ranch, in 1863, was Erastus C. Sessions, an educated Vermonter. Noting the lack of a school, he subsequently set one up in his own home and taught it himself. He also talked up the idea of establishing a public school, and in October of 1863, a public meeting to that end was held. The County Commissioners at Washoe City were contacted, and on December 9, the creation of School District No. 6 was authorized. A second public meeting was held on December 19, and it was decided to take up a public subscription to erect a 20 x 30-foot frame building. One thousand, four hundred and sixty-six dollars was subsequently raised, and Archie Bryant hired to do the work.

The school opened in April of 1864 and drew students from as far away as 10 miles. The building also served as a social and cultural center for the community, and it was a rare week which did not see a dance, meeting, or social function of some kind within its walls.

The community of Glendale ceased to grow after the establishment of the town of Reno to the west, but the school continued to function until 1958, when the state of Nevada withdrew the funding of \$4,000, a year which had come because of its classification as an "isolated school." It had 18 students at the time.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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 Clipping File, Nevada Historical Society, Reno, Nevada, under "Glendale."

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1 acre

UTM REFERENCES

260-020 4373-880
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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The Glendale School sits adjacent to the Lake Mansion on property bounded by both Virginia Street and Kietzke Lane as the two streets merge.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	NA	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE		CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Philip I. Earl, Curator of Exhibits, Nevada State Historical Society

ORGANIZATION

Robert Fink

DATE

Nevada Division of State Parks

May 19, 1977

STREET & NUMBER

201 South Fall Street

TELEPHONE

(702) 885-4370 5138

CITY OR TOWN

Carson City

STATE

Nevada 89710

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL X

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

John L. Meder

TITLE

Administrator

DATE

June 8, 1977

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST:

W. M. Smith
Charles H. ...

DATE

1-30-78

DATE

1-24-78

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

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Architectural Description (cont.)

Originally, doors featured transoms of 3 lites. The present doors now have single lites, fixed transoms. Door trim is plain flat board.

F. Eaves, Cornice Details:

Cornices are boxed, feature 1/2 round moulding as horizontal trim, soffits are straight. No bargeboard existed either originally or at present. Gable ends return on building ends approximately 15".

- G. Roof: roof is steep gable; the gable roof of the vestibule intersects the plane of the west wall approximately 15" below the soffit. Roof sheathing is wood shingle. A brick chimney rises from the roof's north slope. The cupola, located on the northwest end of the main roof ridge, is now enclosed with wood louvers. Originally, the tower was partially enclosed by lattice work. A hipped roof tops the affair.

III. INTERIOR DESCRIPTION

- A. Flooring: the original wood flooring had been covered with asphalt linoleum tile, but the tile has since been removed and the floor restored.
- B. Plumbing: plumbing, not original to the building, has been added. However, restrooms, which were later additions, have been removed in the restoration efforts of recent years. School desks, exhibits, and a pot belly stove have been installed in the interior.