

Utah State Historical Society

Property Type:

Historic Preservation Research Office

Site No. BV-04-C-13-3-5

SIGN. SITE # 111

Structure/Site Information Form

1 IDENTIFICATION

Street Address: ~~About~~ 190 North 600 East

UTM: 12/357500/4237475

Name of Structure:

T. R. S.

Present Owner: Samuel R. & Vickie Hutchings

LESS THAN ONE ACRE

Owner Address: Beaver, Utah 84713

Year Built (Tax Record): 1904

Effective Age: 1908

Tax #: B-363

Legal Description

Kind of Building: residence

Lot 3, Blk 13, Plat C,  
Beaver City Sur.

2 STATUS/USE

Original Owner: Seth W. Smith *House (Beaver MRA)* Construction Date: 1910

Demolition Date:

Original Use: residence

Present Use: residence

Building Condition:

Integrity:

Preliminary Evaluation:

Final Register Status:

Excellent

Site

Unaltered

Significant

Not of the

National Landmark

District

Good

Ruins

Minor Alterations

Contributory

Historic Period

National Register

Multi-Resource

Deteriorated

Major Alterations

Not Contributory

State Register

Thematic

3 DOCUMENTATION

Photography:

Date of Slides:

Slide No.:

Date of Photographs:

Photo No.:

Views:  Front  Side  Rear  Other

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Research Sources:

Abstract of Title

Sanborn Maps

Newspapers

U of U Library

Plat Records/Map

City Directories

Utah State Historical Society

BYU Library

Tax Card & Photo

Biographical Encyclopedias

Personal Interviews

USU Library

Building Permit

Obituary Index

LDS Church Archives

SLC Library

Sewer Permit

County & City Histories

LDS Genealogical Society

Other field work

Bibliographical References (books, articles, records, interviews, old photographs and maps, etc.):

1933 photo on tax card, County Tax Assessor's Office

Mr. Samuel Hutchings, interviewed 8/7/80 in Beaver by L.L. Bonar

Mrs. & Mrs. S. Albert Smith, interviewed 8/20/80 in Beaver by L.L. Bonar

Mr. Ken Barton, interviewed 8/7/80 in Beaver by L.L. Bonar

Researcher: L.L. Bonar

Date: 7/22/80

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ARCHITECTURE

Architect/Builder:

Building Materials: brick

Building Type/Style:

Description of physical appearance & significant architectural features:

(Include additions, alterations, ancillary structures, and landscaping if applicable)

This home has an irregular, but nearly cross plan and is identical to the John Grimshaw home at 290 North 200 East. (see structure/site form BV-04-339). Identical plans were used in these 2 unusual homes, the only real differences being between the frame and brick construction materials and the fact that the frame house originally had the 2nd story tower on the front porch while the brick home did not (it was removed from the frame house because it always leaked and no repairs would make it water tight). In each of its 4 gable ends the home displays Queen Anne style, decorative shingles. There are 2 porches with round, Greek Revival style columns and there are two lovely, bevelled glass windows in the house. Above all the windows is a decorative voussior/pendant motif and the entire house rests upon a 3 foot tall foundation. The masonry work is of excellent quality and the bricks were burned and made in Beaver. There are white mortar joints between the bricks and the brick work as a common bond. The home was all built at one time for Seth William Smith and it was one of the very first homes in Beaver to have indoor plumbing.

Photos

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HISTORY

Statement of Historical Significance:

Construction Date:

The home is significant because of its historic construction date, its locally made building materials, and its excellent architectural integrity. The home's unusual plan sets it apart in Beaver, a plan that was imported by the Grimshaw family who built their version in wood. Shortly thereafter, the Smith family utilized the same plan for their brick home.

Seth W. Smith, the original owner, had the home built for himself and his wife Emma J. Robinson Smith. Seth was born in 1866 in Beaver and was a farmer all his life. For approximately 15 years, he worked for C. D. White, a prominent Beaver resident (he was the 2nd Stake President of the L.D.S. Church and was a wealthy rancher). Seth's father was one of the first settlers in Beaver, arriving in the pioneer town the year of its founding in 1856. His father immigrated to Utah from England and successfully practiced his trade as a shoemaker in Beaver.