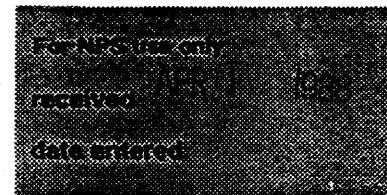


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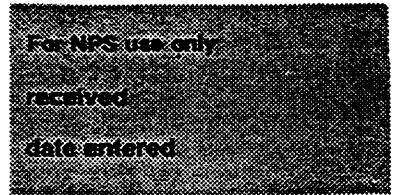
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1. Name: George O. Perrault Compound, survey number 2
2. Location: approximately 1/10 of a mile east of Highway 61 and 1.7 miles north of the Mimbres Hot Springs Canyon Road turn-off
4. Owner: Charles Disert Route 15, Box 800, San Lorenzo, N.M. 88057.
7. Description: Photos 54-56; map 13. Historic walls and a building with one and two-story sections, along with a later barn form a courtyard approximately sixty by seventy feet. Two-story section: photos 58,59; ca 30'x 20'; foundation unknown; stuccoed adobe; corrugated metal gable roof with wall dormers; 2/2 double hung windows; single door; metal exterior stair case at rear to second floor; shed roofed addition to east. One-story section: L-shaped (western 25' of L shed roofed with adobe wall to outside by open toward courtyard); foundation unknown; unstuccoed adobe walls, ca. 10' tall inside courtyard; corrugated metal shed roofs drain to outside (original vigas remain under new roof); aluminum sliding windows; 3 single doors, 1 double doors. Barn constructed in 1940s on west side of courtyard; adobe wall which completes south side of courtyard and originally stood 6' tall has been trimmed down to a little over 3'.
8. Significance: This building meets Criterion A as one of the earliest remaining buildings from the settlement of the Mimbres valley and as a good reminder of the importance of agriculture in the valleys economy; it also satisfies Criterion C as an outstanding example of the introduction of Anglo-American design elements into the Hispanic building tradition of the region.

French Canadian George O. Perrault was the one non-Hispanic among the nineteen miners from Pinos Altos who established San Lorenzo in 1869. That year he surveyed the fields being allotted to individual settlers. The following year, 1870, he established a homestead five miles down river from San Lorenzo. He was a leader in the construction of several irrigation ditches and left the valley briefly in the late 1870s to work in mining and retailing in the mine boom town of Hillsboro on the eastern side of the Black Range. He served on the Grant County Commission and as school commissioner. His own farm prospered to such an extent that

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one report of the 1902 flood named the Perrault place among the three leading properties on the river along with the Gooch and NAN ranches. His orchard had been the largest in the valley, but 2,000 to 2,500 of his trees were ruined in that flood.

Perrault's first dwelling, a dug-out, remains under the wood floor of the large room at the northeast corner of the compound, known as the galera. That large room served as a center for dances and other social events for this section of the valley, and, oral tradition holds, that Elizabeth McGregor taught school in it before the construction of the first school buildings in the 1890s. The two story section appears to be based on the I-house type of the eastern English folk tradition, while the balance of the building and the courtyard are derived on the Spanish-Mexican tradition. This house constructed in the 1870s and 1880s, along with two or three others in the valley, represent the first report of the I-house type in the Southwest to the author's knowledge. Its fusion with a courtyard house is a particularly fascination mixing of Anglo and Hispanic types which deserves further study.

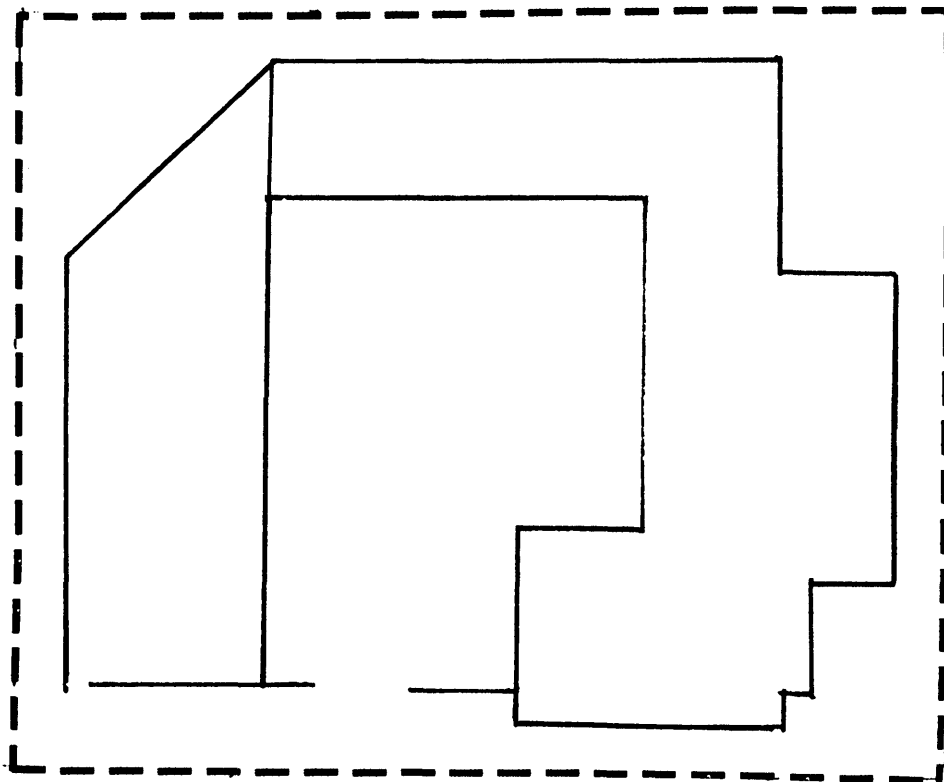
10. Geographical Data: Approximate Acreage: less than one.
Quadrangle Name: Dwyer, N.M. Scale: 1: 62,500
UTM References: 13 229450 3626750
Verbal boundary: A rectangle, roughly 180' by 120', as shown in map 13 formed by lines parallel to and ten feet from the exterior walls of the building. Since this is an unplatted area, this boundary has been created to include only the house compound.

13. George O. Perrault Compound
(3); Historic Resources of the
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Joyce Biebelle
Route 15, Box 1850
San Lorenzo, NM 88057

Luciana B. Grijalva House

John Justus
Box 38
Peralta, NM 87042

Menard-Galaz House

Robert Galaz
Route 15, Box 2375
San Lorenzo, NM 88057

Acklin Store

Santa Fe Mountaineering Center
Route 4, Box 34c
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Antonio Torres House

Antonio Torres
1310 E. Belmont Ave.
Anaheim, Ca. 98205

Mauricio Portillo Homestead

Santiago & Bersabe V. Hinojosa
Box 121
Hanover, NM 88041

Jesus Valencia House

Refugio Valencia
San Lorenzo, NM 88057

George O. Perrault Compound

Charles Disert
Route 15, Box 800
San Lorenzo, NM 88057

San Juan Teacherage

Charles Disert
Route 15, Box 800
San Lorenzo, NM 88057

NAN Ranch

W.B. Hinton, NAN Ranch
Route 15, Box 1425
Faywood, NM 88034

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State Grant County, NEW MEXICO

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

Determined Eligible

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| 11. | Bloodgood, Clyde A., House | Substantive Review | Keeper | <u>Eligible - Beth Boland 5/16/88</u> |
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| 12. | Grijalva, Luciana B., House | Entered in the National Register | Keeper | <u>Melrose Byers 5/16/88</u> |
| | | | Attest | _____ |
| 13. | Menard--Galaz House | Entered in the National Register | Keeper | <u>Melrose Byers 5/16/88</u> |
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| 14. | Acklin Store | Entered in the National Register | Keeper | <u>Melrose Byers 5/16/88</u> |
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| 15. | Torres, Antonio, House | Entered in the National Register | Keeper | <u>Melrose Byers 5/16/88</u> |
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| 16. | Portillo, Mauricio, House | Substantive Review | Keeper | <u>Beth Boland 5/16/88</u> |
| | | | Attest | _____ |
| 17. | Valencia, Jesus, House | Entered in the National Register | Keeper | <u>Melrose Byers 5/16/88</u> |
| | | | Attest | _____ |
| 18. | Perrault, George O., House | Entered in the National Register | Keeper | <u>Melrose Byers 5/16/88</u> |
| | | | Attest | _____ |
| 19. | San Juan Teacherage | Entered in the National Register | Keeper | <u>Melrose Byers 5/16/88</u> |
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| 20. | NAN Ranch | Entered in the National Register | Keeper | <u>Melrose Byers 5/16/88</u> |
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