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SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 93000344 Date Listed: 5/4/93

Curtis Cottage
Property Name

Maricopa AZ
County State

Prescott Territorial Buildings MRA
Multiple Name

This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

Antoinette Rice
for Signature of the Keeper

5/4/93
Date of Action

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Amended Items in Nomination:

Ownership: Private

Acreage: Less than one acre

This information was confirmed with Reba Wells of the Arizona State historic preservation office.

DISTRIBUTION:

- National Register property file
- Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)

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Curtis Cottage (Prescott Territorial Buildings ~~MM~~) Maricopa County, ARIZONA

~~APPROVAL~~ DOCUMENTATION APPROVAL

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5/4/93

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NATIONAL REGISTER

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

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1. Name of Property

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historic name Curtis Cottage (Amendment to the Prescott Territorial Buildings MRA)

other names/site number _____

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2. Location

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street & number 125 S. McCormick not for publication

city or town Prescott vicinity _____

state Arizona code AZ county Maricopa code 013 zip code 86301

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

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As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

James Garman 3/11/93
Signature of certifying official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property _____ meets _____ does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
CONTINUATION SHEET**

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name of property
Yavapai, AZ
county and State
Prescott Territorial Buildings MRA
name of multiple property listing

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Amendment to the Prescott Territorial Buildings Multiple Resource Area, listed on the National Register of Historic Places on December 14, 1978.

CONTRIBUTING PROPERTY

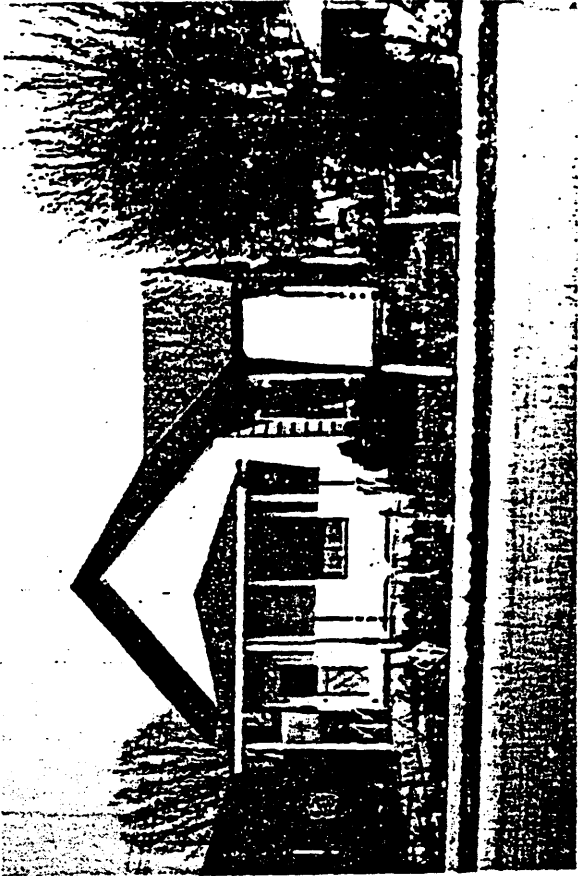
LOT NO.	HISTORIC NAME	ADDRESS
14 Block E	Curtis Cottage	125 S. McCormick

This property referenced above was not listed as a contributor to the Prescott Territorial Buildings MRA, Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona.

The Curtis Cottage is one of four buildings constructed by George and John Curtis in Prescott in the early 1880s. One of these, Curtis Hall, was a public building while the others were constructed as rental housing. Curtis Hall was located near the above property at 133 S. McCormick. The author's intent in the original nomination was to include only the most exemplary of these buildings as representative of the Curtis brothers' contribution to the early Prescott landscape. For this reason, Curtis Hall was listed as a contributor while the cottages were not. Since that time, all of the cottages but one have been lost and Curtis Hall itself was demolished in 1991. This leaves Curtis Cottage as the sole representative of construction by the Curtis Brothers. The loss of the other buildings has increased the historic significance of the surviving cottage. The Curtis Cottage should now be considered eligible for the National Register as a rare surviving example of architecture from Prescott's pre-railroad era. The characteristics of construction from this period are described in the nomination form for the Prescott Territorial Buildings MRA.

The Arizona State Historic Preservation Office staff requests the Keeper to add the property listed above to the "contributor" list in the nomination, as time and circumstances have enhanced its historic significance as defined by the Prescott Territorial Buildings MRA nomination form.

ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

PROPERTY NAME Curtis Cottage		CURRENT PHOTOGRAPH 	
LOCATION 125 S. McCormick		YHF 176A	
CITY/TOWN/VICINITY Prescott	COUNTY Yavapai		
OWNER Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Sine			
OWNER'S ADDRESS 125 S. McCormick Prescott, AZ			
FORM COMPLETED BY Yavapai Heritage Foundation			
ADDRESS P.O. Box 61 Prescott, AZ 86302			
PHOTO BY Ken Kimsey		DATE 1975	
VIEW Front elevation from west			
PRESENT USE Residential - single		ACREAGE	
STYLE OR CULTURAL PERIOD Early territorial frame cottage			
SIGNIFICANT DATES Built 1881			

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

This structure is of simple wood frame construction. The roof consists of two gabled sections of equal height intersecting at right angles. Gables themselves are not articulated. The floor plan is an "L" with one leg facing McCormick. A porch with hipped roof occurs across this facade. It is not original, nor is the composition shingles used to cover the roof and exterior walls. A bay window built as part of the initial configuration has been removed.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The house at 125 S. McCormick is one of two cottages designed and built by George and John Curtis in the spring of 1881. The two were built as rental units in anticipation of a population influx. The Atlantic and Pacific Railroad was being built across northern Arizona and there was talk of a branch line being constructed to Prescott. Plans by the Curtises for three other cottages were shelved when the expected boom did not materialize. The houses which had already been built were subsequently rented to working class families.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Lot 14; Block E
Original Townsite

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