

Survey District #3 PH0041670

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Arizona	
COUNTY: Yavapai	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER 119.04.0010	DATE 9/10/71

1. NAME

COMMON:
"Old Governor's Mansion;" "Old Capitol" and Grounds

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Gubernatorial Mansion

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
400 block of West Gurley

CITY OR TOWN:
Prescott Zip 86301

STATE Arizona	CODE 04	COUNTY: Yavapai	CODE 025
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3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
State of Arizona in conjunction with Sharlot Hall Historical Society of Prescott; 400 West Gurley Street

STREET AND NUMBER:
Society of Prescott; 400 West Gurley Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Prescott

STATE: Arizona	CODE 04
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5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Yavapai County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:
Yavapai County Courthouse

CITY OR TOWN:
Prescott

STATE: Arizona	CODE 04
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6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Historic American Buildings Survey

DATE OF SURVEY: **1937** Federal State County Local

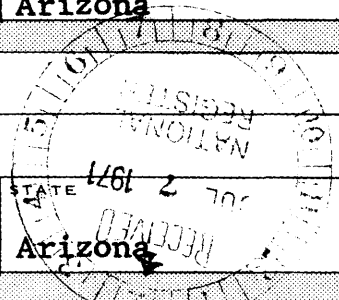
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Library of Congress

STREET AND NUMBER:
Library of Congress

CITY OR TOWN:
Washington

STATE: District of Columbia	CODE 08
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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Except for some relatively minor alterations, the present structure is much like the original. In its original form, the log house had 8 rooms and was built in 1864 under government contract.

The plan then and now is rectangular. The long axis lies north and south. Construction is of squared logs chinked with mud (since replaced with a cement mortar mixture). Various changes in the rectangular plan have taken place. By 1870, a small room was added to the south-west end of the house; producing an "L" shape. Later, another room was added to the north-west portion of the "mansion." Still later, the two rooms were joined and once again the overall plan ^{BECAME} is rectangular in shape.

The original windows were gun ports and peep holes. As conditions improved and times became peaceful, the ports were enlarged to provide double hung windows.

Beginning in 1865, the dirt floors were gradually replaced with wood planking. The ladies of the community thought that the rough-sawn log walls were unfit for the governor's wife. By volunteer effort and purchase, the women paneled one room with wood planking and painted it.

Originally, a small porch projected over the east (main) entry. Circa 1900, this was enlarged to run the entire length of the house's east side. Above the porch was constructed a room dormer with two windows, also double hung. In addition, there is a small enclosed porch on the north side of the building.

The log house passed through a succession of owners; the McCormicks, Henry Fleury, Chief Justice C. G. W. French, the Congregational Church of Prescott, and Joseph Dougherty. In 1899, when Dougherty owned the building, extensive repairs were made to the then dilapidated house. Wood floors were repaired or installed; the rooms on the west were enclosed; and the east porch, mentioned above, was extended.

One of the "mansion's" best known occupants was Sharlot Hall, state historian and poetess. Due to her poems and efforts, the house gained prominence in the late 1920's and early '30's.

In 1963, concealed steel beams had to be installed to strengthen the structure. The beams can be seen in the second floor rooms which are not open to the public. Supporting the beams are pipe columns approximately 3 inches in diameter.



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1899

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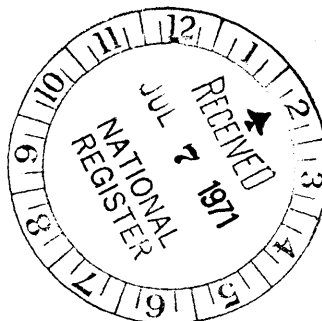
The grounds which the house occupies are landscaped and contain fruit trees, rose gardens, and various hedges. On the site are standing three small log structures; two are relocated originals. The third is a reconstructed school house.

The log cabins are utilized as outdoor exhibits which the visitor may enter.

In addition, there is the Sharlot Hall Museum, a building constructed of field rock during WPA times. In size and proportion, the Hall resembles the "governor's mansion." The Hall is a monument to the lady who did much to restore the "governor's mansion." It is also the headquarters and museum of the Sharlot Hall Historical Society.

The effect of these various buildings serves to enhance the "mansion." Together, and with the gardens, all features combine to create a "micro-district." Therefore, the grounds as well as the governor's mansion are being nominated to the National Register. The site is an area less than two acres in size which lies close to downtown Prescott, the seat of Yavapai County.

The mansion is the only structure specifically nominated to the National Register at this time. The smaller structures and the Sharlot Hall Museum, although on the grounds, are not specifically included in this nomination.



SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **1864; 1917**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi- | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human- | _____ |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The "governor's mansion" represents an obvious contribution to the state's political development. The cabin served as both residence and session hall for the territorial government of Arizona.

Some other notable instances associated with the site are: it is the site of the first Masonic meeting in the Territory; the state seal of Arizona was designed on the premises; and the building was closely allied with military and social life of nearby Fort Whipple.

Built by government contract in 1864, the house was constructed at a cost of \$6,000. The contractors were Messrs Blair, Hatz, and Raible. These gentlemen underestimated the high cost of transporting some building materials and found themselves \$1,500 in debt to the project.

The Territory of Arizona was created on February 24, 1863. The territorial gubernatorial party, headed by presidential appointee John N. Goodwin, traveled from Ohio to Arizona via Santa Fe, New Mexico. The expedition crossed the present state line and held a brief ceremony at the site of Navajo Springs in east central Arizona. Continuing into the interior of the territory, Goodwin's party decided that the site of present day Prescott would be their position for the capitql. The decision to locate in Prescott was due in large part to the gold mining activities in the vicinity. The other settlement of size was Tucson to the south. Later, Tucson would be selected as the new seat of government; only to relinquish the honor once again to Prescott. Phoenix became the permanent capitql in 1889.

In 1917, the Arizona Legislature took appropriate measures to acquire the "mansion" as a state historic site.



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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

"Arizona's First Capitol" prepared by E. B. Merritt, Sharlot Hall Historical Society of Prescott, 1971
 History of Arizona by Thomas E. Farish, Vol. 3, 1916
New Age, Masonic Journal, February, 1937
Arizona Highways Magazine, February, 1944

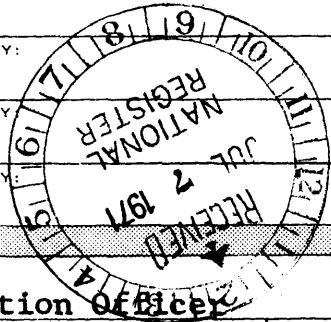
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **1 1/2 acres**

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Robert Fink, Historic Sites Preservation Officer

ORGANIZATION: **Arizona State Parks Board** DATE: **4-14-71**

STREET AND NUMBER:
1688 West Adams

CITY OR TOWN: **Phoenix, Arizona 85007** STATE: **Arizona** CODE: **04**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name *Dennis McCarthy*
Dennis McCarthy

Title State Parks Director
State Liaison Officer

Date 4-14-71

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Eugene A. Connelly
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

SEP 10 1971

Date _____

ATTEST:
William Montoya
 Keeper of The National Register

Date **JUL 29 1971**

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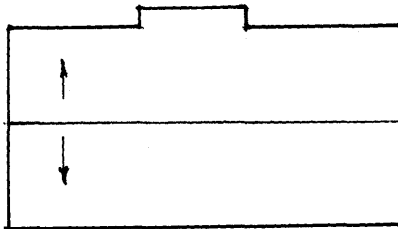
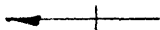
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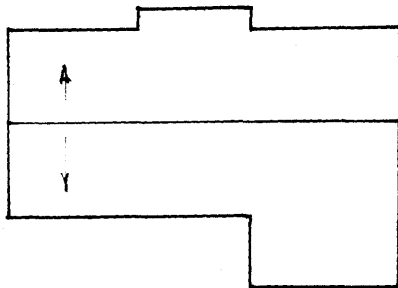
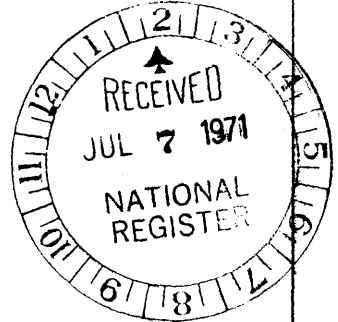
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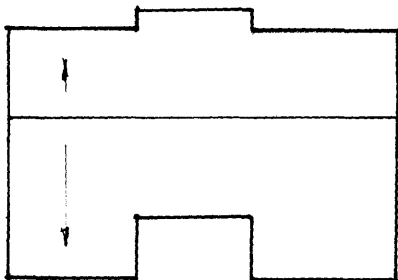
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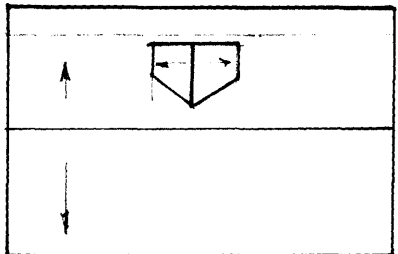
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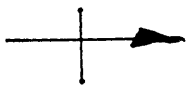
prior to 1899



1899 to present

EVOLUTION OF LAYOUT OF GOVERNOR'S MANSION 1864-1971
(not drawn to scale)

1/8" SCALE



NORTH

SUMMIT AVE.

GURLEY STREET

NOMINATED AREA

CAPITOL DRIVE

NOMINATED AREA

BEACH AVENUE

PARKING SPACE

BLOCK 5

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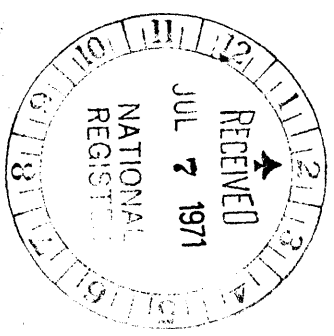
SAMPLING AND TESTING

Gov's MANSION

DRIVE, PARKING AREA

ROSE GARDENS

GOVERNOR'S MANSION
PRINCETON, ARIZONA



"Old Governor's Mansion"
 Prescott, Arizona
 Gen'l Highway Map, AHD,
 1967 - Scale: 1" = 1000ft.
 Yavapai County Map

Longitude: 112°28'23.3"
 Latitude: 34°32'29"

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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP
 YAVAPAI COUNTY, ARIZONA
 ARIZONA HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
 GEOMETRY AND MAPPING DIVISION
 IN COOPERATION WITH THE
 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
 FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION
 BUREAU OF PUBLIC ROADS
 1967

