INVENTORY SHEET FOR GROUP NOMINATIONS: IDAHO STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, BOISE, IDAHO

NOMINATION:	Historic Resources of Paris (Partial Inventory: Architec	cture)
SITE NAME:	Pendrey Drug Store building	SITE # <u>40</u>
LOCATION:	Northwest corner Main Street and Center, Paris, Idaho	<u>-</u>
OWNER'S NAME	AND ADDRESS: Bear Lake Market, c/o Max Eborn, Paris, Id	aho 83261
QUADRANGLE A	AND SCALE: Paris, 7.5 minute ACREAGE:	less than one
	DARY DESCRIPTION: Nomination includes the former Pendrey D	rug Store building
and the	property on which it stands: fraction of lot 1, block 1	6, Paris Townsite.
UTM(S): 12/4, 66, 950/46, 74, 860		
DATE OR PERI	OD: 1890's EVALUATED LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANO	CE: Local
AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE: Architecture, craft		
DESCRIPT	Good condition Altered Original	l site

The old Pendrey Drug building is a two-story buff brick edifice, approximately fifty feet deep on Center and twenty feet wide on Main, with a corner entrance onto the northwest corner of the intersection of those streets. The roof is gabled, but a tall parapet or false front rises on the front and corner elevations. These upper surfaces have an outset course at cornice line and inset panels, topped with toothed bands, below. Beneath the parapet, on the second story proper, are ranges of tall segmentally—arched sash windows: two on Main, one on the corner, five on the Center Street side.

The storefront itself has been damaged by neglect and re-use -- one side of the Main Street front has been largely destroyed for a vehicle access door -- but much of the original millwork and disposition of elements remains. The wooden "lintel" which runs above all of the fronts, with its curious gable-like blocks articulating the main divisions and its scalloped frieze, is generally intact. Below it, on the corner, side, and right front elevations, are two-paned transom lights, bisected display windows and coffered lower panels. Decorative blocks halfway up the pilasters which trisected the Main Street storefront, and miniature ring and ball strips between the display windows and the transom lights, are among the ornamental devices used. A pressed-tin ceiling survives in the otherwise stripped interior space.

There are two interior brick chimneys, one with its corbel intact; there is an early transomed arched rear doorway on the left side of the building. A small shed-roofed frame lean-to of indeterminate age is at back. The condition of the structure appears stable.

SIGNIFICANCE:

The Pendrey building is architecturally significant as one of the oldest commercial buildings left on Main Street, one which exhibits in its setback the pre-1917 facade line of the business district, and which is a fine example of local brickwork and wooden decoration. With the absorption of the 1905 Bear Lake Stake Bank building into the Browning Block and the extension of its contemporary neighbor, the Shepherd Mercantile (now Bear Lake Market), the Pendery building is the only reminder of commercial building before the turn of the century in Paris. It's false-front form links it with its frame

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predecessors, and gives it the appearance of another half-story. The inset panels and toothed bands on this upper area are the stylistic signature of the Tueller Brothers' masonry, and are elements which show up later on the John Tueller, Sr. house (site #59). Complimenting the brickwork, the ornate framing of the window openings and corner entrance was locally produced, an inventive combination of molded, turned and scroll-sawn elements. Similar woodwork would show up on the storefront linked to the Bank across Center Street from Pendrey's.

Despite the alterations it has experienced, the Pendrey building retains its original and unusual exterior shape and fine tin ceiling, making it still a worthy reminder of Paris' earlier business structures.