

Structure/Site Information Form

IDENTIFICATION 1

Street Address: 1025 Park UTM: 12 457710 4499730
 Park City, Summit County, Utah
 Name of Structure: Frank Hansen House T. R. S.
 Present Owner: Peter B. Schust et al
 Owner Address: c/o Gate City Mfg. Co.
 P.O. Box 26237, Salt Lake City, Utah 84125
 Year Built (Tax Record): Effective Age: Tax #: SA 31
 Legal Description: Kind of Building:
 Lot 7 Block 4, Snyder's Addition to Park City Survey.
 Less than one acre.

STATUS/USE 2

Original Owner: probably Frank Hansen Construction Date: c.1893 Demolition Date:
 Original Use: Residence Present Use:
 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

DOCUMENTATION 3

Photography: Date of Slides: 1983 Slide No.: Date of Photographs: 1983 Photo No.:
 Views: Front Side Rear Other Views: Front Side Rear Other

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 Census Records

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

1900 Census Records. Summit County, Park City Precinct, p. 163-B.
Deseret News. March 20, 1925, p. 8, 2nd Section. Frank Hansen obituary.
Park Record. March 20, 1925, p. 1. Frank Hansen obituary. July 29, 1893, p. 3.

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Building Materials: Wood

Building Type/Style: Shotgun

Description of physical appearance & significant architectural features:
(Include additions, alterations, ancillary structures, and landscaping if applicable)

This house is a one and one half story frame shotgun house with a gable roof. Its orientation, gable end to the street, built deep onto the lot, suggests that it has a plan typical of a shotgun, one room wide with rooms aligned one behind the other. A pair of windows flanks the side entrance, and a single window is centered in the gable end above the first floor openings. A hip roof porch consisting of lathe turned porch piers accented with decorative brackets spans the facade. All of the windows of the house, with the exception of those on the extension, are one over one double hung sash windows. The lattice screens that are attached to the upper sash of each of the facade windows are not original, but they are a minor unobtrusive change that could be easily reversed. There is a second entrance on the south side and a one story shed roof rear extension. The windows of the extension are simple square openings. The extension may be original, but whether original or not, in-period rear extensions are part of Park City's architectural vocabulary. Although in many cases an extension represents a major alteration of the original house, it usually contributes to the significance of a house because it documents the most common and acceptable method of expansion of the small Park City house. This house is in excellent condition, and maintains its original character.

Statement of Historical Significance:

Construction Date: c. 1893

Built c. 1893, the Frank Hansen House at 1025 Park is architecturally significant as one of three well preserved, extant examples in Park City of a house that has the exterior configuration of the shotgun house type. The shotgun was a common house type in other mining towns across the country. It, however, was never one of the preferred house types in Park City. Less than ten examples of this type are extant in Park City, and the three included in this thematic nomination are especially significant because they document the existence of the shotgun type among Park City houses, and because they are the only examples which have maintained their integrity to the present day.

This house was built between 1889 and 1900, as indicated by the Sanborn Insurance Maps, having probably been constructed in 1893 by Frank Hansen. On July 29, 1893 it was noted in the Park Record that "Frank Hansen [had] completed a neat residence in the lower part of town."¹ Although Hansen did not receive legal title to this property until 1895, it is not unlikely that he had "bought" the property prior to that through an unofficial transaction - a common occurrence in Park City during the early decades of its settlement. Hansen and his wife, Matilda B., owned this house until 1902, when they sold it to W.W. Armstrong.

Frank Hansen was born in Copenhagen, Denmark in 1847 and came to Utah at the age of twenty-one after being converted to the LDS church. He later returned to his homeland as a missionary for the church. He made a fortune in mining during the boom days of Alta, Utah in 1871, but later lost most of his money in unprofitable mining ventures. He moved to Park City in 1879 to engage in the mining activity there, and two years later, after having apparently decided to make the town his permanent home, had his wife and children join him. He was an employee of the Ontario Silver Mining Company for 17 years and
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helped build the first railroad into Summit County. An active member of his church, which for a number of years had no officially organized group in Park City, he was often chosen to preside over funerals in the community. He and his family moved to Salt Lake City a few years before his death in 1925.

Other owners of this house include W.W. Armstrong (1902), Brigg Snyder (1902-08), Frank Peterson (1908-12), Rachel Mair and family (1912-29), and Isabelle Barben (1929-c.1944).

¹Park Record, July 29, 1893, p. 3.