

NYE COUNTY HISTORIC PROPERTY SURVEY

PROPERTY NAME:

<i>Historic</i>
<i>Common</i> Tonopah Mining Company House

<i>Township/Range/Section</i>	<i>Inventory No.</i> TON-127
<i>Quad/County Map</i>	<i>Classification</i> Building

LOCATION:

<i>Street Address</i> Queen St.	
<i>City</i> Tonopah	<i>County</i> Nye

CURRENT BLACK & WHITE PHOTOGRAPH



CURRENT OWNER:

<i>Name</i> Victor L. Smith		
<i>Street Address</i> P.O. Box 1148		
<i>City</i> Tonopah	<i>State</i> NV	<i>Zip</i> 89049

FORM PREPARED BY:

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<i>City</i> Tempe	<i>State</i> Arizona	<i>Zip</i> 85282

PROPERTY INFORMATION:

<i>Historic Use</i> Residential	
<i>Current Use</i> Residential	<i>Acreage</i> less/one
<i>Architect/Builder</i>	
<i>Construction/Modification Dates</i> Built 1904	

<i>Photo By</i> Jim Woodward	<i>Date</i> July 1980
<i>View</i> Looking south at main entry	

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

This frame house is "L" shaped in plan and one story in height. It is covered with an intersecting hipped roof. One brick chimney and two stone chimneys, all original, protrude through the shingled roof planes. Entrance to the house is gained through a splayed entrance porch at the niche of the "L". Accenting the entry above the porch is a large gable with a ventilator window. A triple set of one-over-one double hung windows exist on the central wall below the porch. All other windows are evenly located on the wall planes and are also one-over-one double hung sash. Exterior detailing includes boxed eaves, moulded cornices and routed wooden porch posts. The house is in need of maintenance but its original design has not been altered.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

This wood frame residence, located prominently on the western slope of Mt. Oddie is primarily noteworthy for its architectural value. Its unique design and high degree of historic integrity contribute to its significance. Influence of the Georgian Revival style is seen in its detailing and is most notable with the central gable at the intersection of its "L" shaped plan.

Constructed in 1904, the house is historically associated with the Tonopah Mining Company. It was built on mining ground as part of the company's extensive surface works to provide housing for their employees. Located near the Desert Queen Shaft and operations, it was occupied at various times by mining company engineers and superintendents. The house should be preserved for its historic association with the Tonopah Mining Company and as a well designed local interpretation of a wood frame dwelling.

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

- Elliott, Russell R., Nevada's Twentieth Century Mining Boom, U of N Press, Reno 1966
- Tonopah Bonanza, 1901, 1902
- Traver, James W. Tonopah, Past, Present and Future, N.P. 1902

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

Beg at cor #1, a pt on the N side line of survey 2578, stone cabin lode, whence cor #7 of stone cabin lode bears N83°18'W114'; thence N26°10'E89' to cor #2; thence S64°49'E116' to cor #3; thence S26°10'W50' to cor #4; a pt on the N side line of stone cabin lode; thence N83°18'W along said side line 123' to cor #1 the place of beg.

ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPH

Photo By
E.W. Smith

View
Looking south at main entry

Date
c.1906

