United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

# 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 an 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
historic name <u>Rider-Pugh House</u>
other name/site number
2. Location
street & town17 West 100 South In ot for publication
city or town Kanab
state Utah codeUT county Kane code _025zip code _84741
3. State/Federal Agency Certification
As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this is 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.) Signature of certifying official/Title Date 2/06/01 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 certifying official/Title Date
State or Federal agency and bureau
4. National Park Service Certification   I hereby certify that the property is:   I hereby certify that the property is:

- ONE No. 10024-0018

Rider-Pugh House Name of Property	Kanab, Kane City, County a	Kanab, Kane County, Utah City, County and State		
5. Classification Ownership of Property (check as many boxes as apply)	Category of Property (check only one box)	Number of Resourd (Do not include previously	ces within Property v listed resources in the co	unt.)
public-local	district	Contributing	Noncontributing	
🖾 private	🛛 building(s)	1	1	buildings
🔲 public-State	🗌 site			sites
public-Federal	structure	100.000		structures
	🗌 object			objects
			11	Total
Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) Historic and Architectural Resources of Kanab, Utah 6, Function or Use		in the National Reg N/A		-
Historic Function (Enter categories from instructions)	an a	Current Fui (Enter categori	n <b>ction</b> es from instructions)	LONGER LEISEN LONGER LEISEN LONGER LEISEN LONGER LEISEN LEISEN LEISEN LEISEN LEISEN LEISEN LEISEN LEISEN LEISEN
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7. Description Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)		<b>Materials</b> (Enter categori	es from instructions)	
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Other: Central Block with Projectin	ig Bays	walls	BRICK	······································
		roof	ASPHALT SHINGLE	
		other	WOOD	

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See continuation sheet(s) for Section No. 7

**Rider-Pugh House** Name of Property

# 8. Description

**Applicable National Register Criteria** (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.
- **Criteria Considerations**

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- **B** removed from its original location.
- $\Box$  **C** a birthplace or grave.
- D a cemetery.
- **E** a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- **F** a commemorative property.
- **G** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

#### Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.

#### Previous documentation on file (NPS):

preliminary determination of individual listing (36	
CFR 67) has been requested	

- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register

designated a National Historic Landmark

recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey

recorded by Historic American Engineering Record #

Kanab, Kane County, Utah City, County and State

### **Areas of Significance**

(enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

SOCIAL HISTORY

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

**Period of Significance** 1892-1940s

Significant Dates 1892-1894

#### **Significant Persons**

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above) N/A

**Cultural Affiliation** N/A

Architect/Builder John Rider and Frank Rider (builders)

See continuation sheet(s) for Section No. 8

State Historic Preservation Office

- Other State agency
- Federal agency Local government
- C University

Other Name of repository:

See continuation sheet(s) for Section No. 9

Primary location of additional data:

#### 10. Geographical Data

#### Acreage of Property 0.29 acres

#### UTM References

(Place additional boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

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Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	

#### Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property.)

Beginning at the northeast corner of Lot 4, Block 9, Plat A of the Official Survey of the Kanab Townsite and running thence south 8 rods; thence west 5.57 rods; thence north 8 rods; thence east 5.75 rods to beginning.

Property Tax No. K9 - 13

**Boundary** Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The boundaries are those currently associated with the property: the northeast corner of the original one-acre lot.

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organization prepared for the Kanab Heritage Council	date <u>January 19, 2001</u>
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ity or town Salt Lake City	state UT zip code 84158

#### **Continuation Sheets**

Maps A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

### Photographs: Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items: (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner	
name/titleYvonne & Ken Stirland	
street & number 17 West 100 South	telephone_(435) 644-2433
city or town Kanab	state UT zip code 84741

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Rider-Pugh House, Kanab, Kane County, UT

# Narrative Description

The Rider-Pugh House, built between 1892 and 1894, is a one-and-one-half story brick central-blockwith-projecting-bays house with Victorian Eclectic ornamentation. The house is located at 17 West 100 South in the historic portion of Kanab, Utah. The house is constructed of brick on a sandstone foundation with an asphalt shingle roof. A major exterior rehabilitation of the house, ongoing since 1994, has restored or replaced much of the distinctive decoration shown in an 1899 photograph. An interior renovation is also currently underway.

The house is constructed of red brick laid in a running bond. The foundation is rock-faced sandstone in a coursed ashlar pattern with a sandstone water table. The windows are double-hung wood with some replacements for the original windows. The sills are sandstone, as are the pedimented lintels above several of the windows. The date 1894 is carved into central lintel of the front bay and indicates the year the house was completed.<sup>1</sup> The brick and stone were cleaned and re-pointed during the recent rehabilitation. The original construction featured a striped roof of alternating painted shingles. The current roof, installed in the 1978, uses two colors of asphalt shingles rather than painted wood. The two brick chimneys have been rebuilt (probably also in 1978). The style of the house is Victorian Eclectic with a large number of decorative features such as scrolled brackets and paterae. Contrasting colors of dark blue, light blue, and maroon paint have been used to highlight wood elements on the cornice and gable trim. The north and east porches have been rebuilt (replacing the concrete and brick replacements built between 1940s and the 1960s). The new wooden porches are very similar to those shown in the historic photograph. The third porch, on the west side, was removed (circa 1942) and was recently restored. The exterior of the house is in excellent condition and retains its historic integrity.

The interior includes approximately 3,000 square feet of livable space on three floors. The main floor has a living room, dining room, kitchen, two bedrooms, and one bath. Most of the interior finishes date from either 1942 or the 1960s when major interior remodeling took place. In the 1960s, the staircase was reconfigured and rebuilt, and the two mantels were altered. However, many of the historic features have been left intact including the painted faux oak finishes on the woodwork and the pocket doors between the living room and dining room. The current owners updated the kitchen in the 1990s. Upstairs, the four rooms are undergoing renovation and a bathroom added by the current owners. The landing area has recently been renovated as well. The basement is mostly excavated with two finished rooms. The room in the southwest corner was used by the Rider family as living quarters during the construction of the house. Underneath the foyer is an 8' x 8' stone-lined room

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Some sources suggest the construction began in 1889 or 1890, just after the property was acquired. Family tradition maintains the construction period was long, with the majority of the work completed between 1892 and 1894.

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used as a hiding place (or "polygamy pit") during the polygamy raids of the 1890s. It was originally accessed via a trap door in the foyer. The Rider-Pugh House currently sits on a 0.29-acre parcel of property. The original lot size was one acre with the house located at the northeast corner. A historic barn originally associated with the property is extant, but located on another parcel. The 24' x 24' double-car garage and concrete driveway were built in the 1990s. Several mature trees are on the east and north sides of the property. A wood fence is along the gravel driveway on the west. The neighborhood contains a number of late-nineteenth century pioneer homes in good condition. Overall the house and property are in excellent condition and contribute to the historic resources of Kanab, Utah.

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## Narrative Statement of Significance

The Rider-Pugh House, built between 1892 and 1894, is significant under Criterion A and C. The house is significant under Criterion A for its association with the history and development of Kanab, Utah. John and Mary McDonald Rider were among the first group of pioneers to build a permanent settlement in Kanab. Edward and Elizabeth Kelly Pugh were also early Kanab settlers. The house is also significant under Criterion C for its architecture. A fine example of the craftsmanship of local builder John Rider and his son Frank, a recent rehabilitation of the house has restored many of the Victorian Eclectic details. The house is eligible under the Multiple Property Nomination, *Historic and Architectural Resources of Kanab, Utah*, with significance in the following historical contexts: the "Early Settlement Period, 1858–1883," the "Community Building, Farming, and Ranching Period, 1884–1909," and the "Twentieth-Century Community Development and the Beginning of a Tourist Industry, 1910–1921." The Rider-Pugh house is in excellent condition and is a contributing historic resource of Kanab, Utah.

# **HISTORY OF THE RIDER-PUGH HOUSE:**

In June of 1870, a small company pioneers from the Salt Lake Valley arrived in Kanab, and began to repair and rebuild the fort that had been abandoned a few years earlier by Mormon explorers driven from the area by Indian hostilities and other hardships. The group included a builder by the name of John Rider, who helped repair the fort. Later that year, John Rider brought his wife Mary and their two children to Kanab along with his friend, Edward Pugh, Edward's wife Elizabeth, and their two children. By September 1870, the first permanent settlement was established. That month a onemile-square town site was surveyed. One block in the center of town was set aside for public use and the rest of the blocks were divided into four one-acre lots. Farmland to the south and west of the town site was provided and a number of communal projects (irrigation ditches, fencing, and a school house) were commenced. During the early 1870s, the Kanab fort was a focal point for local pioneering, missionary work, and exploration, as well as a trading post and the base of operations for the federal geological survey. The fort consisted of a stone building (used for school and other meetings) and several pine log cabins within a cedar post stockade. The fort was never intended to be permanently inhabited and settlers were anxious to built more substantial structures. Within a few years the settlers moved log cabins onto the town lots, and built new homes of wood, adobe, and brick: but it was several years later before resources were sufficient for substantial, highly decorated homes like the Rider-Pugh House were built.

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John Rider was born on November 8, 1837, in Milltown, Ireland, to Thomas and Jane Rowland Rider. He joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS or Mormon Church) in 1855, and immigrated to Utah in 1866. He married Mary McDonald on July 27, 1867. Mary McDonald was the daughter of William and Christina Wallace McDonald. She was born in Lintrathen, Scotland on August 1, 1845. Her family joined the LDS Church in 1855. John and Mary settled in the Millcreek/Big Cottonwood area of Salt Lake City. The couple had two children when they were called to join a group sent to settle Kanab, Utah. After relocating to Kanab in 1870, the couple had eleven more children. John Rider was a builder who is credited with building several homes in Kanab. He also helped plan the town's first irrigation system as well as laying the mile marker stones between Kanab and Alton, approximately thirty miles away. On July 16, 1889, John Rider bought lots 3 and 4 of block 9 from Richard S. Robinson. Construction on the house began a few years later.

According to family tradition, John Rider built a room within the sandstone foundation for the family to live in while construction was ongoing. This room is in the southwest corner of the basement. An interesting note of local folklore is that Rider included a secret room in the foundation for hiding polygamous husbands from federal raids, though he himself was never a polygamist.<sup>2</sup> While John Rider was working on his own house, he was also constructing the elaborate Bowman-Chamberlain house just across the street. The Bowman-Chamberlain House is the most ornate residence in Kanab and was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1975. Unfortunately, John Rider's name was not mentioned in the nomination. John was so involved with the construction of the Bowman-Chamberlain House, that completion of his own home was left to his twenty year-old son Frank. Frank Rider (1872-1944) learned masonry on the house and later became a builder in his own right.

During their time in Kanab, John was busy with many civic and church duties, and Mary spent her days working the farm and raising her children. The Rider family lived in the home only a short time before returning to Salt Lake City. On October 26, 1895, the house was sold to Edward Pugh, a long-time friend of the family's. After fifteen years in Salt Lake City, John and Mary returned to Kanab, where many of their children had remained, and lived there for the rest of their lives. John Rider died on December 21, 1919. Mary McDonald Rider died on February 19, 1931.

Edward Pugh was born in Stretford, England, on August 28, 1824, to Edward and Mary Pugh. He joined the LDS Church at the age of seventeen, and in 1844, immigrated to the United States. He met and married Mary Ann Rock Williams in Iowa in 1847. Mary Ann was twelve years his senior, a widow with three children, and expecting a fourth. The family crossed the plains to Utah in 1853. Edward Pugh had a house and farm at 1299 East 4500 South in the Salt Lake Valley. That house has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places. On May 5, 1866, Edward married a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> There is an ongoing debate as to whether "Polygamy Pits," as they were called, actually ever existed, or if the rooms were just storage/cold cellars. More than likely, folklore has made more of these rooms than they actually were. The late date of the construction of this house (polygamy was officially abandoned by the LDS Church in 1890) probably dispels the myth that this room was a polygamy pit.

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second wife, Elizabeth Kelly. Elizabeth Kelly was the daughter of John Phillip and Eliza Long Kelly. Elizabeth was born in Herfordshire, England on March 1, 1849, and was twenty-five years younger than Edward Pugh. The two wives did not get along, and Mary Ann was only happy to remain in Salt Lake City with her grown sons to help her on the farm when Edward was called by Brigham Young to settle Kanab. Edward and Elizabeth and their two children moved to Kanab in November 1870.

Edward Pugh participated in repairing the fort, building the schoolhouse and irrigation system, and is credited with building the first stone house in Kanab. By the time he bought the Rider house in 1895 for \$3,500, he and Elizabeth had five living children of their original twelve. The 1900 census lists Edward (a farmer) and Elizabeth with two sons, one daughter, Pearl, and their granddaughter Emily R. Brown.<sup>3</sup> According to the title abstracts, on September 6, 1900, Edward Pugh deeded the property to "Elizabeth Kelly, known as my wife." He died eight days later on September 14,1900. Elizabeth Pugh continued to live in the home for the rest of her life. She is shown on the 1910 census with her son, David Long Pugh (1882-1961), and his wife, Amanda Chamberlain (1888-1974). On May 18, 1914, Elizabeth deeded the property to her daughter Pearl Edna Pugh Brown.

Pearl Edna Pugh was born on March 22, 1886. In 1903, Pearl married James Arthur Brown, the husband of her late sister, Emily, who died in 1899. James (Jim) was born on June 18, 1871, in Draper, Utah, to Joseph G. and Esther Brown of Draper, Utah. The family moved to Kanab when James was ten years old. He was a stockman and farmer for most of his life. Jim and Pearl lived with Elizabeth Kelly Pugh for a few years before getting their own home; however, in 1912, they traded places with David and Amanda Pugh so that Pearl could care for her sick mother. Elizabeth Kelly Pugh died in Kanab on August 24, 1917. In addition to raising Emily's daughter, Jim and Pearl had nine children, seven of which are listed with them on the 1920 census. The family raised cattle, horses, worked the family farm and tried (somewhat successfully) dry farming on 300 acres eight miles east of Kanab. Pearl Edna Brown died on March 18, 1942. James Arthur Brown died on September 29, 1957.

In 1952, the property was divided and the house deeded to a daughter, Vola Brown Rider. Vola was born on November 24, 1909. She married Francis Melvin Rider in 1926. Mel Rider was the son of Frank Rider, and grandson of John Rider, the original builders of the house. Vola and Mel had three children. They cared for Vola's father for many years before his death. Mel was a mechanic and garage operator. Vola worked at both the Parry Lodge and the Aiken Lodge in Kanab tourist industry. They deeded the house to their children in 1976. Mel Rider died on April 22, 1981. Vola Brown Rider died on March 25, 1994. The property was transferred to Mel and Vola's daughter, Yvonne Rider Stirland, and her husband Ken. Ken and Yvonne Stirland moved from their home in Murray, Utah, to Kanab. They have made the complete restoration of the Rider-Pugh House an all-consuming project.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Emily Ruby Brown was the daughter of Emily Vilate Pugh and James Arthur Brown. Emily died in 1899. Another daughter of Edward and Elizabeth, Nellie, who appears in the 1899 photograph, would have been five years-old at the time of the census, but was not enumerated with Edward and Elizabeth, and was presumably visiting relatives at the time.

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# ARCHITECTURE:

The Rider-Pugh House, built between 1892 and 1894, is one-and-one-half story brick central-blockwith-projecting-bays residence. The Victorian house type known as the central block with projecting bays was probably the second most common type built in Utah between 1885-1915. The house type can be found in one, one-and-one-half, and two story examples. Larger examples, such as the Rider-Pugh House have entrance foyers, while smaller version do not. The type represents a strong break from earlier classical forms. The projecting bays gave the principal rooms desired external irregularity, while making the room larger and brighter. The houses were built in a variety of materials and styles.<sup>4</sup>

The Rider-Pugh House is one of only a handful of central-block-with-projecting-bays residences in Kanab, and is second only to the Bowman-Chamberlain House in size and elaboration. The house is a fine example of the exceptional craftsmanship of John Rider, and his apprentice son, Frank. John Rider was one of only two builders in Kanab who were considered "professional" by the community at large. With little documentation of Rider's contribution to the architecture of Kanab, especially in the early settlement period, recognition of the design and construction of his own home is important.

<sup>4</sup> Thomas Carter and Peter Goss, *Utah's Historic Architecture, 1847-1940: A Guide,* (Salt Lake City, Utah: University of Utah Press, 1988), 44.

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# **Common Information:**

- 1. Rider-Pugh House
- 2. Kanab, Salt Lake County, Utah
- 3. Photographer: Korral Broschinsky
- 4. Date: May 2000
- 5. Negative on file at Utah SHPO.

### Photo No. 1:

6. North and east elevations of house. Camera facing southwest.

## Photo No. 2.

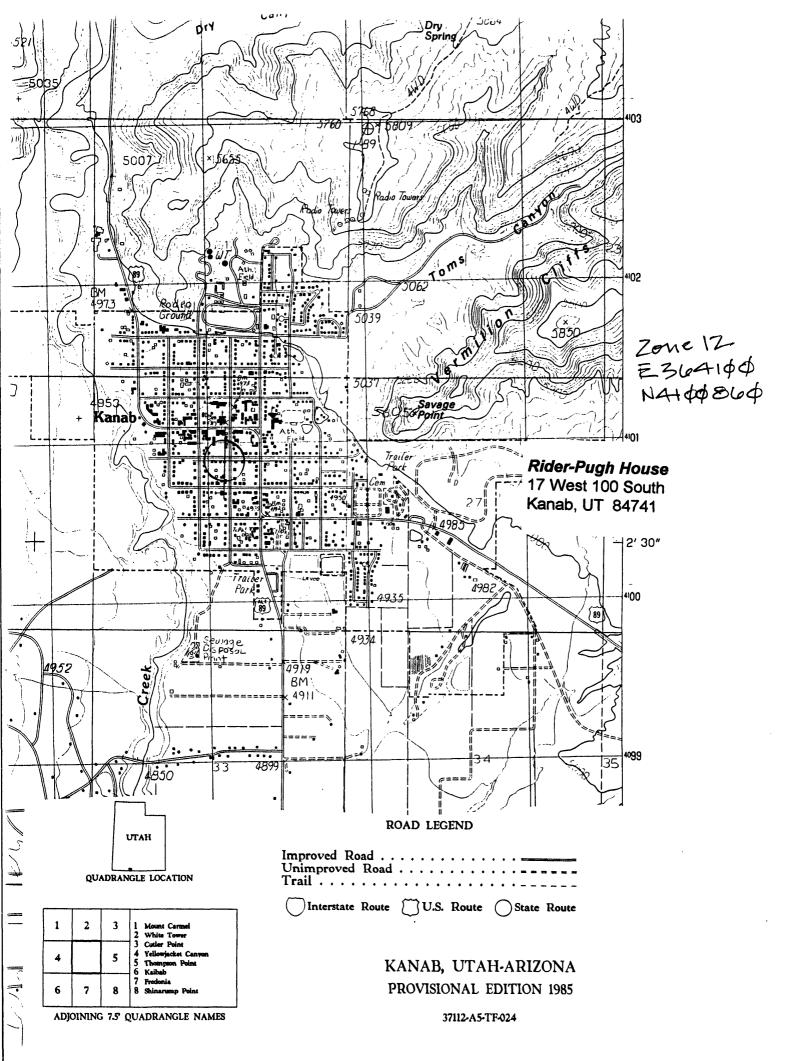
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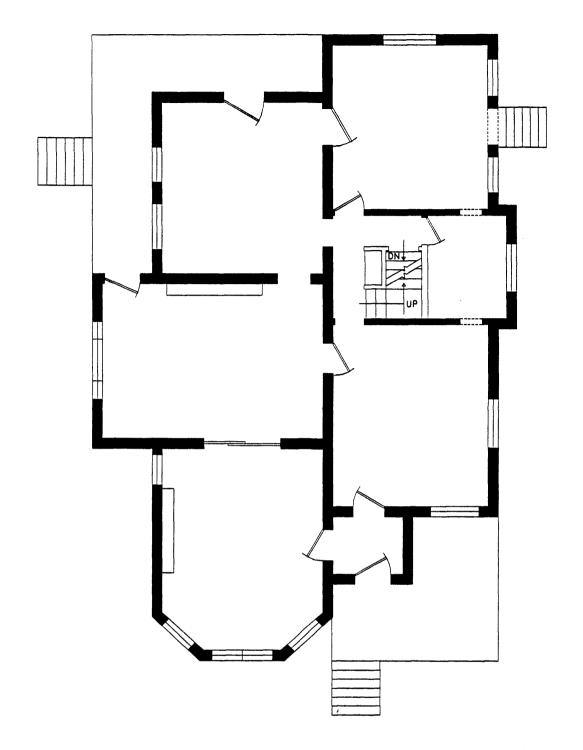
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6. West elevation and north elevation, porch detail. Camera facing south.

## Photo No. 4:

6. South elevation of house and garage. Camera facing northwest.

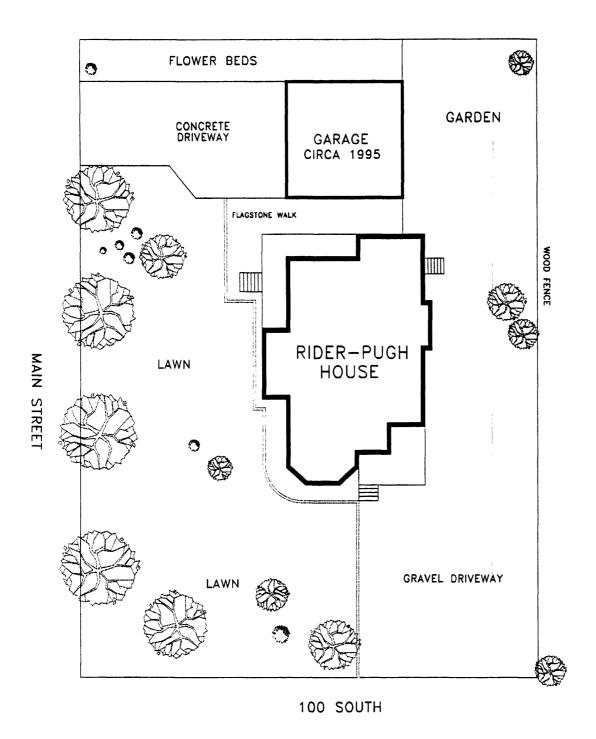


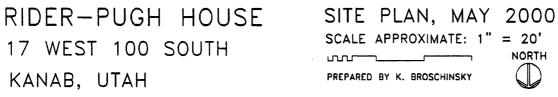


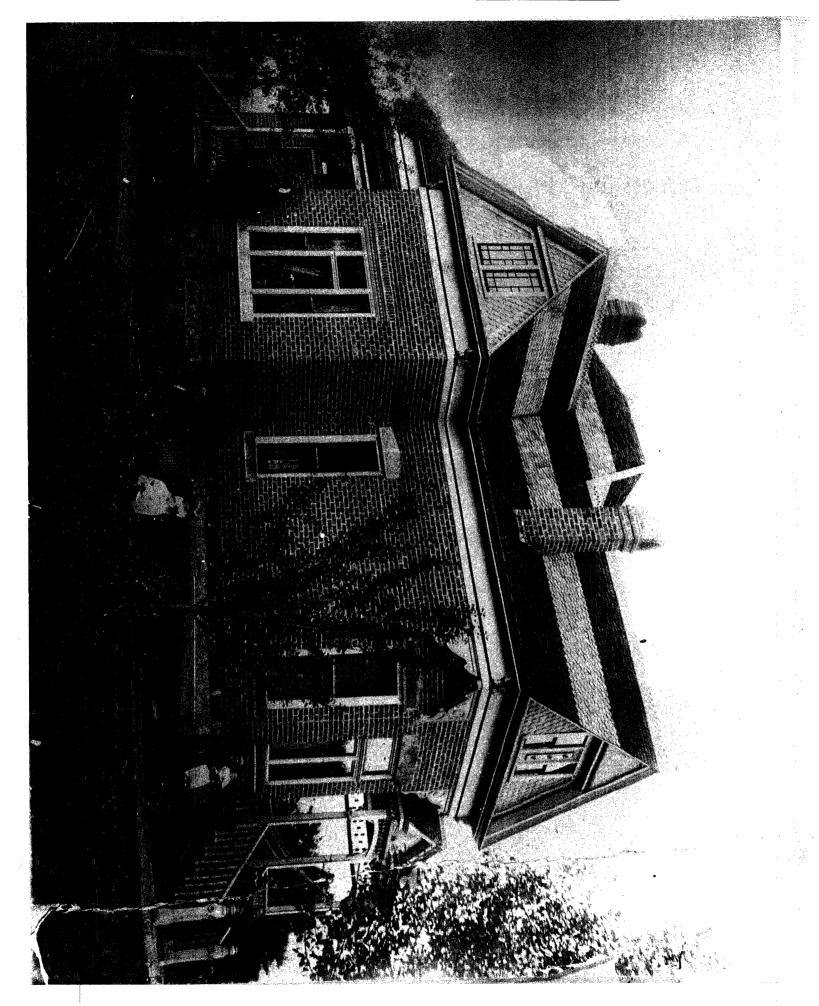
RIDER-PUGH HOUSE 17 WEST 100 SOUTH KANAB, UTAH

MAIN FLOOR PLAN SCALE APPROXIMATE: 1/8" = 1' MAY 2000 NORTH CONSTRUCTION PHASES: 1892-1894 CIRCA 1960s -----

MODIFICATIONS







Rider. Rugh House, Founds, UT C. 1899