

Utah State Historical Society

Property Type:

Historic Preservation Research Office

Site No. BV-04-156

Sign. Site #25

Structure/Site Information Form

1 IDENTIFICATION

Street Address: 25 North Main Street UTM: 12/356425/4237350
 Name of Structure: Tolton Building (Lund Bros. Store) T. R. S.
 Present Owner: Mary Ann Mitchell Tolton Less than one acre
 Owner Address: 1132 East 27th South, SLC, UT 84106
 Year Built (Tax Record): Effective Age: Tax #: B-103
 Legal Description: Kind of Building:

Com 50 ft N of SE Cor Lot 1, Blk 28, Plat A, Beaver City Sur; Th W 76 Ft; N 50 ft; E 76 ft; S 50 ft to Beg.

2 STATUS/USE

Original Owner: Tolton, J.F., Grocery (Beaver MRA) Construction Date: 1899 Demolition Date:

Original Use: grocery and dry goods store Present Use: commercial

Building Condition: Integrity: Preliminary Evaluation: Final Register Status:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> Site | <input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Significant | <input type="checkbox"/> Not of the | <input type="checkbox"/> National Landmark | <input type="checkbox"/> District |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Good | <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor Alterations | <input type="checkbox"/> Contributory | <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Period | <input type="checkbox"/> National Register | <input type="checkbox"/> Multi-Resource |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated | | <input type="checkbox"/> Major Alterations | <input type="checkbox"/> Not Contributory | | <input type="checkbox"/> State Register | <input type="checkbox"/> Thematic |

3 DOCUMENTATION

Photography: Date of Slides: Slide No.: Date of Photographs: Photo No.:

Views: Front Side Rear Other

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Research Sources:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abstract of Title | <input type="checkbox"/> Sanborn Maps | <input type="checkbox"/> Newspapers | <input type="checkbox"/> U of U Library |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plat Records / Map | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Directories | <input type="checkbox"/> Utah State Historical Society | <input type="checkbox"/> BYU Library |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tax Card & Photo | <input type="checkbox"/> Biographical Encyclopedias | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Personal Interviews | <input type="checkbox"/> USU Library |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Building Permit | <input type="checkbox"/> Obituary Index | <input type="checkbox"/> LDS Church Archives | <input type="checkbox"/> SLC Library |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sewer Permit | <input type="checkbox"/> County & City Histories | <input type="checkbox"/> LDS Genealogical Society | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other
Fieldwork |

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

1933 photo on tax records.
 Mr. Halbert T. Lund, interviewed 8/28/79 in Beaver by L. L. Bonar.
 R. L. Polk and Co. Utah Gazetteer, 1900, pp. 62, 88-91.

Researcher: Linda L. Bonar

Date: 9/21/78

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Building Materials: Brick

Building Type/Style: Commercial

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

Pressed metal cornice. The front facade is faced with a sheet of metal pressed to look like brick and painted white. While the main body of the building is brick, there are small decorative elements of pink stone (tuff) now painted white. The foundation is pink stone. The cornice on the 1st floor is also pressed metal.

All the original details of the front facade are still extant and in good shape- only the color of the paint has been changed. Only the front facade is painted white, the rest of the structure being the original unpainted brick.

Statement of Historical Significance:

Construction Date:

The Tolton Block, built in 1899, is significant as the best of four remaining commercial structures on Beaver Main Street that retain historic integrity and help to document the commercial development of the town. As an example of the commercial style, the Tolton Block retains its original form, design, and materials. As in general commercial buildings of the time, the Tolton building is typified by a frame indented entrance, flanked by display space, with an access entry to the second floor. Pressed metal cornices adorn both the first and second stories, with the block name centered above the second floor. With its original finestrations, transoms, basic form and materials, the Tolton Block is the best example of the commercial style of architecture remaining in Beaver.

John F. Tolton had this two story commercial building constructed in 1899. The Tolton grocery functioned as one of various general stores in Beaver, which grew to serve the developing community and town. In 1900 there were seven such concerns, numbering to about five in the 1910s. The largest enterprise was the Mansfield, Murdock & Co. (significant site #26), directly south of the Tolton concern. By 1912 Tolton's grocery business was known as J. F. Tolton & Sons. In 1947 a fire gutted the interior and reportedly, the Toltons lost their fortune due to the conflaguration. In 1950 the building was purchased by Halbert Lund and his brother, who continue to operate a general store. The Tolton Block remains much as it did originally.