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Site No. BV-04-230  
SIGN. SITE #40

Utah State Historical Society  
Historic Preservation Research Office  
**Structure/Site Information Form**

LESS THAN ONE ACRE

IDENTIFICATION 1

Street Address: About 50 West Center St. Northeast Quarter of Plat A Bl. 21 Lot 3  
Name of Structure: Beaver City Library (Beaver MRA) T. R. S.  
Present Owner: Beaver City UTM: 12/356425/4237200  
Owner Address: Beaver, Utah 84713 Tax #: M-B-21-3-1

AGE/CONDITION/USE 2

Original Owner: Beaver County Construction Date: ca 1917 Demolition Date:  
Original Use: library  
Present Use: Occupants:  
 Single-Family  Park  Vacant  
 Multi-Family  Industrial  Religious  
 Public  Agricultural  Other  
 Commercial

Building Condition: Integrity:  
 Excellent  Site  Unaltered  
 Good  Ruins  Minor Alterations  
 Deteriorated  Major Alterations

STATUS 3

Preliminary Evaluation: Final Register Status:  
 Significant  National Landmark  District  
 Contributory  National Register  Multi-Resource  
 Not Contributory  State Register  Thematic  
 Intrusion

DOCUMENTATION 4

Photography: Date of Slides: Date of Photographs:  
Views: Front  Side  Rear  Other  Views: Front  Side  Rear  Other

Research Sources:  
 Abstract of Title  City Directories  LDS Church Archives  
 Plat Records  Biographical Encyclopedias  LDS Genealogical Society  
 Plat Map  Obituary Index  U of U Library  
 Tax Card & Photo  County & City Histories  BYU Library  
 Building Permit  Personal Interviews  USU Library  
 Sewer Permit  Newspapers  SLC Library  
 Sanborn Maps  Utah State Historical Society Library  Other fieldwork

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

Miss Elsie Haler, interviewed Sept. 1978 in Beaver  
Mrs. Wanda Roberts, interviewed July 1979 in Beaver

Architect/Builder: UNKNOWNBuilding Materials: brickBuilding Type/Style: Federalist Revival

## Description of physical appearance &amp; significant architectural features:

(Include additions, alterations, ancillary structures, and landscaping if applicable)

This Carnegie Library in Beaver is built in a Federalist Revival Style. Its plan is rectangular, with the broad side to the street. It has a flat roof and the front facade has a central door and two windows on either side, all of which are arranged with bilateral symmetry. The window detailing and the cornice are the most interesting architectural features on the exterior. The main windows are quite large and are filled with small panes of glass and wooden mullions. The windows are all arched and above them are arched transom windows with swag-like mullions. There are side lights as well and all the glass is outlined and emphasized with broad bands of decorative brickwork. The cornice is approximately 3 feet wide and is overhanging and banded with molding. Besides this, there are several decorative brick patterns and 2 brick string courses on the exterior. This brick is yellow color and was imported to Beaver. On the interior, the building still retains its original high ceilings, book cases, and furnishings. Only a month ago were the original hardwood floors covered with indoor/outdoor carpet.

## Statement of Historical Significance:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal Americans   | <input type="checkbox"/> Communication          | <input type="checkbox"/> Military        | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation           | <input type="checkbox"/> Mining          | <input type="checkbox"/> Science            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education   | <input type="checkbox"/> Minority Groups | <input type="checkbox"/> Socio-Humanitarian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Arts               | <input type="checkbox"/> Exploration/Settlement | <input type="checkbox"/> Political       | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce               | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry               | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation      |   |

The library is an excellent example of the Federalist Revival Style and is the only building designed so clearly in this style in Beaver. The building is one of a series of small town libraries built to enhance the cultural and educational life of rural areas by the Carnegie family. That it has remained totally unaltered until 1979 is a tribute to its excellent design and workmanship.