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INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC The Standrod Bank (Brown-Hart Store building)

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER 59 and 75 NW Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Blackfoot

VICINITY OF

— NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Second

STATE

Idaho

CODE

16

COUNTY

Bingham

CODE

011

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Peterson Furniture Company

STREET & NUMBER

75 NW Main

CITY, TOWN

Blackfoot

VICINITY OF

STATE

Idaho

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Bingham County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Blackfoot

STATE

Idaho

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE Idaho State Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

1972

— FEDERAL STATE — COUNTY — LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

Idaho State Historical Society

CITY, TOWN

610 North Julia Davis Drive Boise

STATE

Idaho

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT
 GOOD
 FAIR

DETERIORATED
 RUINS
 UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Standrod/Brown-Hart building--so designated for the most prominent of the early bankers and merchants who occupied its two sections--is a one-story lava-rock structure with sandstone front on the northwest side of N.W. Main Street, facing the railroad tracks in Blackfoot. At the time of its construction in the mid-1890s it was doubtless an impressive addition to a streetscape still largely composed of frame buildings; and the largely unmodified facade with its buff and rose-buff stone and its 19th century small-town proportions is still impressive in the modernized streetscape that has grown up around it.

Stylistically the building is modest, with square openings and above them a simple decorative strip of alternately flush and recessed stones. However the rusticated stone, the miniature blind arcade in the corbel table at roofline, and the rough pilasters and blunt pinnacles at the corners show a consciousness of the great medievalizing styles of the 19th century, particularly the Richardson Romanesque.

The upper facade of the left, bank portion of the building is extended a few feet above the right, store-front portion. The parapet so formed is further dignified by a rectangular pedimented stone cornice ornament inscribed "Bank." The transoms in the bank facade have been filled in recent years and the door modernized. The facade of the storefront probably assumed its present, plate-glassed appearance in 1912, when a new front was reported for the Brown-Hart General Merchandise Store which then occupied it.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1895

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The architectural significance of the Standrod/Brown-Hart building is as a modest but engaging survival of small-town commercial architecture, which translated the styles and forms of contemporary urban architecture in terms of its own needs, resources and local materials. Standrod/Brown-Hart is in fact the oldest substantial business structure in Blackfoot's downtown to survive so far unmodified. Built as it was on West Main street, which was laid out at an angle of 45° to longitude in order to follow the line of the Utah and Northern tracks, it is part of Blackfoot's earliest commercial development. It is one block southwest and opposite the depot, which is already entered on the National Register.

The building was erected in 1895 and opened in 1896 by Charles Bunting, a pioneer merchant and banker who had operated a general store in Blackfoot since the 1880's, and a private bank since 1881. His bank failed the year after its new home was built. Considerable state-wide publicity accompanied the failure, for Bunting had served as State Treasurer and his bank as a depository for state and county funds. Bunting died shortly after the demise of his Blackfoot bank. Its place was taken by another private institution, D.W. Standrod and Co., which formed in 1899 and operated in Blackfoot until its closure in 1923; although after 1912 in newly constructed quarters on the corner of West Main and Bridge. Standrod was a prominent Pocatello banker and jurist who, like Bunting, had interests in a number of banks throughout southeast Idaho; his Blackfoot bank was run by C.W. and W.F. Berryman, who were, consequently, among the leading citizens of the town. An equally prominent businessman was John G. Brown, whose Brown-Eldredge (later Brown-Hart) general merchandise store opened in Bunting's storefront in 1897, and whose residence on Shilling Street now houses the Bingham County Historical Society. Standrod's Pocatello residence is a National Register property.

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 The Blackfoot News. 18 Jan. 1896, p. 1, c. 1; 12 Sept. 1896, p. 1, c. 4; 10 July 1897, p. 1, c. 2; 11 March 1899, p. 2, c. 3.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than one acre.

UTM REFERENCES

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	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C				D			

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

This nomination includes the building at 75 and 59 N.W. Main in Blackfoot and the ground on which it stands, which are owned in 1978 by Peterson Furniture Company of Blackfoot.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Patricia Wright, architectural historian.

ORGANIZATION

Idaho State Historical Society

STREET & NUMBER

610 North Julia Davis Drive

CITY OR TOWN

Boise

DATE

26 June 1979

TELEPHONE

384-2120

STATE

Idaho

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL X

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Merle Wells

TITLE

Idaho State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

4 July 1979

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Coral Shull

DATE

8-30-79

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

W. Ray Luce

DATE

8/30/79

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER