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SESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (II known) PHYSICAL APPEARAN

The Wyoming Governor's Mansion, constructed in 1904, is a red brick building of Georgian Colonial architecture. Originally the structure had a large drawing room furnished in French Provincial style and a dining room done in Eighteenth Century French Provincial. The second floor had five bedrooms and one bath, the third floor three bedrooms an one bath. Elaborate tapestries graced the walls. Hooks upon which to hang clothes had to be employed since clothes closets were not initially constructed in the bedrooms.

The Mansion's basic design and structure has remained essentially the same through the years of its usage but some modifications have been made. In 1937 the Mansion received extensive remodeling and modernization. The soiled and faded tapestries had to be removed from the bedroom walls and replaced with wallpaper. The middle bedroom on the south side of the hallway was eliminated and the space divided in half to allow construction of a bath and clothes closet for the bedroom on each side. Another room on the north side of the hallway was utilized in a similar manner to make a dressing room for the master bedroom, and a bath and clothes closet for the adjoining bedroom. A breakfast room off the formal dining room was also added during this period and a service entrance cut through to the pantry.

During the years of 1955 and 1956 leaking radiators damaged draperies and carpeting creating a need for further modifications. Perimeter heating was added and new carpeting installed throughout the first floor. Woven into the new carpeting was a replica of the Great Seal of the State of Wyoming which was located in the center of the reception room. Grass cloth was placed on the walls of the library room and new draperies hung in both the library and breakfast room. A sun deck was added to the Mansion in 1958 which is accessible from the master bedroom and kitchen.

Presently, the first floor of the mansion consists of an entrance foyer, large reception hall, library, drawing room, study, formal dining room, breakfast room, kitchen, pantry, service porch and the sitting room for the household staff. There is a servant's apartment in the basement as well as storage and laundry facilities. Bedrooms still comprise the second and third floors.

See also letter addendum

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

The Wyoming Governor's Mansion is of state-wide political significance as a structure closely related to the functions of the executive branch of government. The Wyoming State Legislature authorized the construction of the Executive Mansion in 1901 and appropriated \$3,000 for the purchase of land and \$37,000 for construction. The building was officially dedicated in January of 1905. The first occupants of the Mansion were Governor and Mrs. Bryant B. Brooks who lived there from 1905 to 1911. The Mansion was not occupied from 1911 to 1915 during the administration of Joseph M. Carey who as a Cheyenne resident preferred his own home. Every Governor holding office since 1915 has resided in the Mansion. They are as follows: John B. Kendrick, 1915-1917; Frank Houx, 1917-1919; Robert D. Carey, 1919-1923; William B. Ross, 1923-1924; Frank Lucas, 1924-1925; Nellie Tayloe Ross, 1925-1927; Frank C. Emerson, 1927-1931; Alonzo M. Clark, 1931-1933; Leslie A. Miller, 1933-1939; Nels A. Miller, 1939-1943; Lester C. Hunt, 1943-1949; Arthur G. Crane 1949-1951; C. J. "Doc" Rogers, 1953-1955; J. J. "Joe" Hickey, 1959-1961; Jack R. Gage, 1961-1963; Clifford P. Hansen, 1963-1967; and Stanley K. Hathaway, 1967 to the present. Governor Leslie A. Miller lived in the Mansion for only a brief period due to the Wyoming State W.P.A. offices being established in the Mansion during his administration.

Wyoming's Executive Mansion is the first in the United States to have been occupied by a woman Governor, Nellie Tayloe Ross, who served during the 1920's.

Over the years the Wyoming Executive Mansion has been the scene of numerous social events attendant to the State's highest political office. A great number of dignitaries of national stature have been hosted at the Mansion of which a full accounting would require a lengthy discourse. Within the past year alone the Mansion was visited by New York Governor Nelson Rockefeller, at the time a leading presidential candidate and by Richard M. Nixon prior to his successful candidacy for President of the United States.

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