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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORMSEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

SIDNEY STEVENS HOUSE

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

2593 North 400 East

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

North Ogden

VICINITY OF

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CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Utah

CODE
049COUNTY
WeberCODE
057**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☐ BUILDING(S)
☒ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH
PUBLIC ACQUISITION
☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☒ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE
☐ COMMERCIAL
☐ EDUCATIONAL
☐ ENTERTAINMENT
☐ GOVERNMENT
☐ INDUSTRIAL
☐ MILITARY
☐ MUSEUM
☐ PARK
☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Mr. Marvin Barker

STREET & NUMBER

2593 North 400 East

CITY, TOWN

North Ogden

VICINITY OF

STATE
Utah**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Weber County Recorder's Office

STREET & NUMBER

Municipal Building, 2555 Washington Boulevard

CITY, TOWN

Ogden

STATE
Utah**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

Utah Historic Sites Survey

DATE

April 6, 1977

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☒ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Utah State Historical Society

CITY, TOWN

Salt Lake City

STATE
Utah

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

___ EXCELLENT
 X GOOD
 ___ FAIR

___ DETERIORATED
 ___ RUINS
 ___ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

___ UNALTERED
 X ALTERED

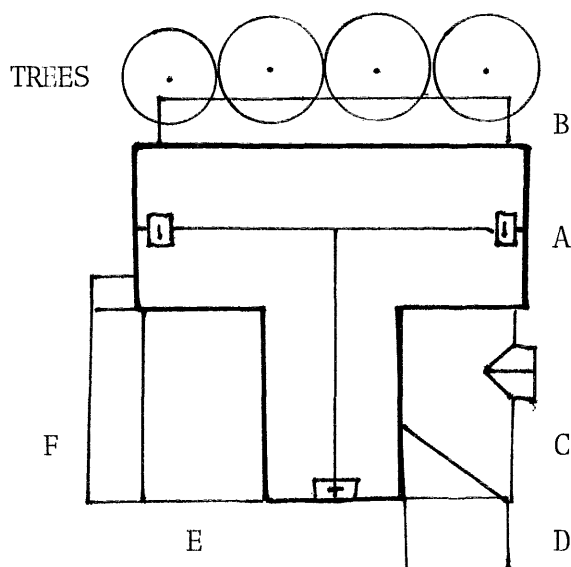
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X ORIGINAL SITE
 ___ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

As originally built, the Sidney Stevens House was a 2-1/2 story fired brick residence with a T-shaped plan. The House had a steeply pitched gabled roof with corbeled brick chimneys rising from each of the three gabled walls, window and door bays had segmented arches. The cornice was boxed, moulded, bracketed and had a frieze. The front facade was symmetrical and was five bays wide and featured central doors on both floors, flanked by slanted bay windows on the first floor and six over six double sash windows on the second floor. Originally three small balconies were situated along the front facade. Shortly after construction, however, the balconies were connected and roofed, giving the house its present appearance of having a full-length, two-story porch across the entire front facade.

Other modifications of the original appearance include the addition of two, one-story rooms, one with a hip roof and one with a shed roof, along the "trunk" of the T, filling it in to form a square plan on the ground floor. These early expansions utilized the same salmon-colored brick and foundation stone details as used in the original structure. Two small frame porches were added much later and do not conform with the original design. Aside from these changes, the house retains the essential qualities of its historical character. Original cabinetry, interior trim, including doors and stair railings and newel posts, and the unfinished attic rooms are still intact. The stateliness and simplicity of the pioneer design is enhanced by original landscape elements including four large pine trees which grow immediately in front of the building.



- A: Original 2-1/2 story T-plan
- B: Remodeled porch
- C: 1 story hi-roof brick addition
- D: 1 story shed-roof frame addition
- E: 1 story saltbox brick addition
- F: 1 story shed roof frame addition

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 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
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<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	1874	BUILDER/ARCHITECT	Sidney Stevens
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Sidney Stevens House is the only house in North Ogden still remaining as a remembrance of Sidney Stevens. The house is also one of the most important architectural homes in the community.

HISTORY

Sidney Stevens of Nunney, Somerset, England, and his bride, Mary Jane Thick of Stourton Coundle, Dorsetshire, England, were married May 22, 1863, by Apostle George Q. Cannon in Liverpool, England. They boarded the sailing ship "Antartic" the following day on their honeymoon trip bound for America, arriving at New York the 10th of July, 1863.

Upon arriving in Nebraska, Mr. Stevens purchased two wagons, four head of oxen, two cows, and sugar and other food items to give him a start in business when they arrived in Utah. In Omaha they joined a company of church emigrants to make the trip to Utah, arriving in Salt Lake City, October 8, 1863.

After selling the sugar and other products they went north to Kaysville where they planted ground and farmed one season. In March 1865 they purchased land in North Ogden, built a log house to live in and located there. As he had learned the leather trade working in his father's business, he also built a small log building in which he conducted a leather business, tanning leather and making shoes, boots, and harness for which he found ready sale. This continued for seven years at which time the railroad brought shoes and boots made in the East and sold cheaper than he could make by hand.

He then built a two-story burnt brick building said to be the first burnt brick building in Utah. Here he conducted a general retail store where food, clothing, notions and small farm implements were sold. In a fire on July 4, 1885, the building and contents were destroyed. The building was rebuilt and a third story added which was a dance hall where many social functions were held over the coming years.

In 1874, the Stevens built the new three-story burnt brick home. It contained 14 rooms and was a very fine attractive home. In this home five children were born, giving them a family of six boys and six girls.

In 1874, Mr. Stevens moved his implement business to Ogden to be nearer to the railroad and to be more centrally located. By this time this implement business had grown to be substantial, serving all of Weber County. He eventually located his business on the east side of Washington Avenue between 25th and 26th Streets. The Sidney Stevens Implement Company remained at this location in active business for 91 years. In an Eastern Implement Magazine, it was said that this company was the oldest implement business west of the Mississippi River. The deed for the above mentioned property was put in the cornerstone of the present Ogden City-County Building when it was being built.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Family record sheet from Frank Joseph Stevens, Jr. History written by Frank Joseph Stevens, Jr., a grandson of Sidney Stevens.

Beneath Ben Lomonds Peak, Milton R. Hunter, 1945.

Directory of Ogden City, 1878 Kenner.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than one acre.

UTM REFERENCES

A 12 418950 4572900
ZONE EASTING NORTHING
C

B
ZONE EASTING NORTHING
D

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

Wilson G. Martin, Preservation Planner

ORGANIZATION

Utah State Historical Society

STREET & NUMBER

603 East South Temple

CITY OR TOWN

Salt Lake City

DATE

April 14, 1977

TELEPHONE

(801) 533-5755

STATE

Utah

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

TITLE

Michael T. Miller, State Historic
Preservation Officer

DATE May 31, 1977

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

ATTEST

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHITECTURE AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE 12/2/77
61-30-77

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The retail store in North Ogden was still maintained for several years after the move to Ogden of the implement business. In this North Ogden store a millinery department was established and operated by Mrs. Stevens.

They lived in the home in North Ogden until 1890. Their daughter, Bessie, and husband, Gideon T. Alvord, lived there until Clarence and Myrtle Barker bought the home, and Barker family members or renters have lived there ever since.

Sidney Stevens died May 21, 1910, and his wife died October 18, 1918.

In June of 1954, while preparing the home at 2593 North 400 East in North Ogden for the installation of natural gas, a letter was found written to England, but for some reason was never mailed. Excerpts from this letter are as follows:

"We have a good home here--about twenty acres of land. Two acres of orchard--apples, pears, peaches, apricots, plums of various kinds, grapes, mulberries, gooseberries, currants, rhubarb, raspberries, strawberries, tomatoes, cherries, and various other kinds. We have built a large brick barn and stable and another very large brick building. We keep a shop in the front--sell all kinds of groceries, draperies and boots and almost everything. We have a tannery and shoe-makers as well. We have not a very good house to live in but we have all the brick on hand to build a good home which I expect we shall do next summer."