

INVENTORY SHEET FOR GROUP NOMINATIONS: IDAHO STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, BOISE, IDAHO

NOMINATION: Historic Resources of Paris (Partial Inventory: Architecture)

SITE NAME: Bear Lake Market Paris, Idaho SITE # 77

LOCATION: North Main Street near Center, Paris, Idaho

OWNER'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Max Eborn, Paris, ID 83261

QUADRANGLE AND SCALE: Paris, 7.5 minute ACREAGE: less than one acre

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Nomination includes Bear Lake Market and the property on which it stands: Fraction of lots 1 and 2, block 16, Paris Original Townsite.

UTM(S): 12/4, 66, 950/46, 74, 870

DATE OR PERIOD: 1890's, 1916 EVALUATED LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: Local

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE: architecture, commerce

DESCRIPTION: Good condition altered original site

The two-story Bear Lake Market building and the tall one-story building immediately adjacent to it on the north are structural siblings, residing under the same ownership and nominated as a single site. Their facades are on the same longitude, as it were, as is that of the Browning Block on the other side of Center Street (site # 74), having been built out at about the same time from the original shopfront line represented by the buildings on either side. The facade are of smooth red brick, trimmed with grooved red brick. On the two-story section there is a contrast of hue as well as of texture, with the smooth brick showing a lighter color. In both cases the red brick is a veneer. A ruddy yellow structural brick is visible on the sidewalls.

The two-story section is three bays wide. The entrance is centered and inset between plate-glass display windows, with a stairway access door at extreme right. Small panes of ribbed glass, leaded into large panels with inset transom sections, form the banks of mezzanine lights that cross the facade above the storefront windows. On the upper facade, which is articulated by outset courses of darker brick, six sash windows light former offices now turned to residential use. Contrasting outset courses also frame the windows, and provide the cornice treatment. Slightly outset brick pilasters and a concrete coping frame the whole. The interior of the Market is of interest, with its bare wooden floor, rear mezzanine, and intact pressed tin ceiling.

The one-story section of the frontage uses identical motifs on a smaller scale. Brick pilasters and "corbel," leaded glass mezzanine lights, and central entry, here with two doors giving access to the two shop spaces into which the building is divided.

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Bear Lake Market

SIGNIFICANCE:

The Bear Lake Market is architecturally and historically significant as a fine example of local brickwork, and as the former home of the Shepherd mercantile operations, the main commercial enterprise to succeed the once-prominent cooperative store. In its pre-1916 form, both parts of the building were one-story and in line with Pendry's Drug Store to the south. With the narrowing of Main Street in response to the planned construction of the Browning Block, the larger portion was given an extra sixteen feet to the east and a second story. The one-story section was also extended at this time with the facades done in matching form. The Tueller Brothers had the masonry contract for the "new front". The patterns of brick in contrasting textures and tones and the handsome mezzanine glass make this building a stylish compliment to the Browning Block on Main Street and firmly established the reputation of the second-generation Tuellers in Paris and throughout the Valley.