

Structure/Site Information Form

IDENTIFICATION 1

Street Address: 202 South 200 West UTM: 12 444750 4345880
 Manti, Sanpete County, Utah
 Name of Structure: Ottesen, Hans, House T. 18 S R. 2 E S. 12
 Present Owner: Mrs. LaRue Stemer
 Owner Address: 202 South 200 West, Manti, Utah 84642
 Year Built (Tax Record): 1865-1875 Effective Age: Tax #:
 Legal Description Kind of Building:

Begin NE Corner of Lot 34 Lot 4 Plat A Manti City Survey, Then South 214 Ft., West 120½ Ft to Beginning. Less than one acre.

STATUS/USE 2

Original Owner: Hans Ottesen Construction Date: c. 1865- Demolition Date: 1875
 Original Use: Dwelling, Single-Family Present Use: Dwelling, Single-Family
 Building Condition: Integrity: Preliminary Evaluation: Final Register Status:
 Excellent Site Unaltered Significant Not of the National Landmark District
 Good Ruins Minor Alterations Contributory Historic Period National Register Multi-Resource
 Deteriorated Major Alterations Not Contributory State Register Thematic

DOCUMENTATION 3

Photography: Date of Slides: Slide No.: Date of Photographs: Photo No.:
 Views: Front Side Rear Other Views: Front Side Rear Other

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

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

William Mulder, Homeward to Zion: The Mormon Migration from Scandinavia (Mimneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 1957).

Thomas Carter, "Building Zion: Folk Housing in the Mormon Settlements of Utah's Sanpete Valley" (Ph.D diss, Indiana University, 1984).

Interview with Clifton Ottesen, Manti Utah, January 1987.

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ARCHITECTURE

Architect/Builder: Not Known

Building Materials: Oolite Limestone, Plastered

Building Type/Style: Classical/Vernacular, Pair House

Description of physical appearance & significant architectural features:

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

The Hans Ottesen house in Manti is a 1 1/2 story example of the pair house type. It has three rooms arranged axially under its gable roof. The center room was the kitchen, and the upstairs rooms were never finished. The house is constructed of the native oolite limestone in the Greek Revival style. The walls were coursed rubble, and the principal facade was originally plastered. Fine limestone sills and pedimented lintels embellish the windows. A bungalow-style porch was added to the front of the house during the 1920s, and the entire house was plastered in 1952. The chimney at the south end has also been removed. These additions do not significantly affect the historic integrity of the home, which remains a good example of the pair house type in Utah.

Number of contributing buildings: 1

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HISTORY

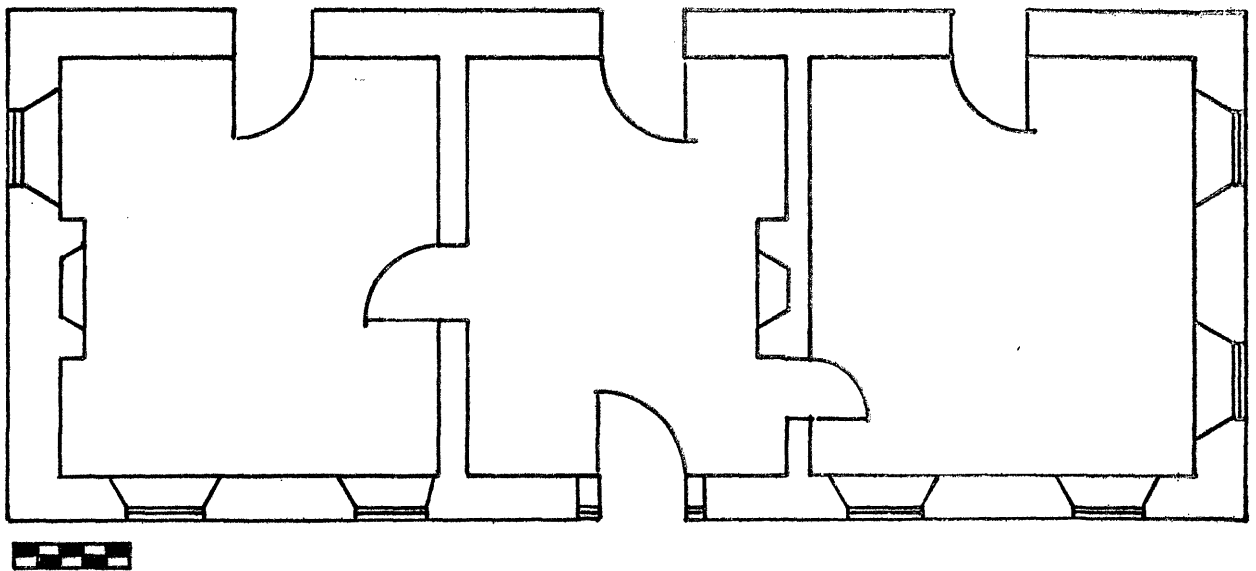
Statement of Historical Significance:

Construction Date:

The Hans Ottesen house, built c. 1865-1875, is one of 61 examples of the Scandinavian pair house type that have been recorded in Utah. Graphically documenting the migration of thousands of Scandinavian converts to Mormon Utah during the second half of the nineteenth century, the pair house type makes a significant contribution to the architectural history of the state. The Ottesen house is to be included in the thematic nomination, "Scandinavian-American Pair Houses," listed in the National Register in 1983.*

Hans Ottesen was born in Aalborg, Denmark, in 1834. The Ottesens were early converts to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, the Mormons, and emigrated to Utah during the 1850s. Hans Ottesen was living in Manti as early as 1860, where he was a farmer and stonemason. Ottesen never married, and probably built this house sometime in the 1865-75 period. On November 2, 1884, Ottesen was brutally murdered by two men during a robbery attempt on the house. In 1886 the house passed to Otto Ottesen, the son of his brother, Jens Ottesen. Otto Ottesen was the sheriff in Manti for many years.

*The original nomination contained 16 buildings out of a total of 48 that had been identified at that time. Four additional pair houses have been listed on the National Register separately or as part of historic district nominations.



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