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Site Forms and Historic Research

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Utah State Historical Society
Historic Preservation Research Office
Structure/Site Information Form

IDENTIFICATION 1

Street Address: 122-124 1st Avenue (60) Plat I Bl. 1 Lot 4
 Name of Structure: _____ T. R. S.
 Present Owner: Wright, Kent M. and Betty A. UTM: _____
 Owner Address: _____ Tax #: _____

AGE/CONDITION/USE 2

Original Owner: Leslie W. Snow Construction Date: c. 1902 Demolition Date: _____
 Original Use: single family
 Present Use: _____ Occupants: _____
 Single-Family Park Vacant
 Multi-Family Industrial Religious
 Public Agricultural Other
 Commercial
 Building Condition: _____ Integrity: _____
 Excellent Site Unaltered
 Good Ruins Minor Alterations
 Deteriorated Major Alterations

STATUS 3

Preliminary Evaluation: _____ Final Register Status: _____
 Significant National Landmark District
 Contributory National Register Multi-Resource
 Not Contributory State Register Thematic
 Intrusion

DOCUMENTATION 4

Photography: _____
 Date of Slides: 5/77 Date of Photographs: _____
 Views: Front Side Rear Other Views: Front Side Rear Other
 Research Sources: _____
 Abstract of Title City Directories LDS Church Archives
 Plat Records Biographical Encyclopedias LDS Genealogical Society
 Plat Map Obituary Index U of U Library
 Tax Card & Photo County & City Histories BYU Library
 Building Permit Personal Interviews USU Library
 Sewer Permit Newspapers SLC Library
 Sanborn Maps Utah State Historical Society Library Other

Bibliographical References (books, articles, records, interviews, old photographs and maps, etc.):
 Polk, Salt Lake City Directory, 1925, 1935-1946.
 Salt Lake County Recorder Office, Abstract Book.
Deseret News, November 28, 1935, p. 13.
 Salt Lake City Building Permit, #276, April 14, 1908, #131261, January 1, 1929.

Architect/Builder:

Building Materials: brick

Building Type/Style: Victorian eclectic

Description of physical appearance & significant architectural features:

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

The building is a two-story brick apartment house with two wings projecting toward the street. On each wing is a pedimented gable with decorative wood shingle siding. Windows have stone sills and lintels. Above the entries and the larger front windows are transoms with art glass.

A major addition to the home was made in 1908.

--Thomas W. Hanchett



Statement of Historical Significance:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal Americans | <input type="checkbox"/> Communication | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Mining | <input type="checkbox"/> Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Minority Groups | <input type="checkbox"/> Socio-Humanitarian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> Exploration/Settlement | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation | |

The Victorian elements add to the historic elements of the Avenues area.

This Victorian house was built in 1902 by Leslie W. Snow. Snow probably lived in this house as a single family dwelling until 1908. Then an addition was made to the building and he made the home into a duplex. He continued to live in the one wing of the house until his death in 1935. A number of people lived in the apartment on this side while Snow was alive. Between 1932 to 1933 the apartment was divided into two apartments. The house has been divided into a number of apartments now. Leslie W. Snow was an oculist and an aurist. He was a surgeon in Salt Lake for thirty-five years.

Snow, a son of President Lorenzo Snow was born in February, 1866, in Salt Lake, and was raised in Brigham City. Snow graduated from the University of Deseret and then taught at the Fourteenth Ward School. He practiced medicine fourteen years in Logan after he graduated from the Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia. He studied treatment of the eye, ear, nose and throat in Vienna and was the house surgeon for the London Morfield Hospital. He became a staff member of the LDS Hospital in 1904.

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1
IDENTIFICATION

Street Address: 126 (64) 1st Avenue Plat T Bl. 1 Lot 8
Name of Structure: _____ T. R. S.
Present Owner: Weir, Verna P.W. UTM: _____
Owner Address: _____ Tax #: 5 2445

2
AGE/CONDITION/USE

Original Owner: Chauncey M. Benedict Construction Date: ca. 1908 Demolition Date: _____
Original Use: single family
Present Use: _____ Occupants: _____
 Single-Family Park Vacant
 Multi-Family Industrial Religious
 Public Agricultural Other
 Commercial
Building Condition: _____ Integrity: _____
 Excellent Site Unaltered
 Good Ruins Minor Alterations
 Deteriorated Major Alterations

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STATUS

Preliminary Evaluation: _____ Final Register Status: _____
 Significant National Landmark District
 Contributory National Register Multi-Resource
 Not Contributory State Register Thematic
 Intrusion

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DOCUMENTATION

Photography: _____
Date of Slides: 5/77 Date of Photographs: _____
Views: Front Side Rear Other Views: Front Side Rear Other
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 Sanborn Maps Utah State Historical Society Library Other

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

Deseret News, August 29, 1931, p. 1, sec. 2.
Polk, Salt Lake City Directory, 1900-1946.
Salt Lake Tribune, June 13, 1946, p. 19.
Pioneers and Prominent Men of Utah, p. 749.

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ARCHITECTURE

Architect/Builder:

Building Materials: brick and wood

Building Type/Style: Victorian eclectic

Description of physical appearance & significant architectural features:

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

This is a Victorian pattern book cottage very similar to #128 next door. Both are one-and-a-half story brick homes with wooden front sections that are open below to create a front porch, enclosed with wood shingle siding above. Within the porch area is a wooden bay window. On this house the second floor front window has been altered and a garage has been built under the house.

--Thomas W. Hanchett



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HISTORY

Statement of Historical Significance:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal Americans | <input type="checkbox"/> Communication | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Mining | <input type="checkbox"/> Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Minority Groups | <input type="checkbox"/> Socio-Humanitarian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> Exploration/Settlement | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation | |

This Victorian pattern book cottage was built ca. 1908. It is very similar to the house next door at 128 1st Avenue. The brick homes with the Victorian trim are contributory to the historic district.

This home was probably built by Chauncy M. Benedict who had acquired this lot and the one next door from his wife Clara Clawson's estate. She had received the property from her father, Spencer Clawson. In 1907 Chauncey married Geneva Ellerbeck whose mother, Henrietta, built and lived in the home next door at 128 1st Avenue.

Benedict was a native of Salt Lake and was born December 17, 1875, to Joseph M. and Sarah P. Benedict. His father was one of the first physicians in the West; he helped found Holy Cross Hospital in Salt Lake City.

Benedict graduated from Cornell University and then practiced medicine in Salt Lake for thirty years. He was on the staff at St. Mark's Hospital. He was a captain in the medical corps during World War I. At the time of his death in 1931 he was a lieutenant colonel in the medical reserve corps. He died at this house. His widow, Mrs. Geneve E. Benedict, then lived in the house until 1937. Their son, Joseph E., then lived in the house. The house was converted to a duplex in 1943ca.

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Structure/Site Information Form

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IDENTIFICATION

Street Address: 128 (126) 1st Avenue Plat 1 Bl. 1 Lot 4
Name of Structure: _____ T. R. S.
Present Owner: Zobell, Albert L. and Jean H. UTM: _____
Owner Address: _____ Tax #: _____

2
AGE/CONDITION/USE

Original Owner: Henrietta Dyer Ellerbeck Construction Date: ca. 1908 Demolition Date: _____
Original Use: single family
Present Use: _____ Occupants: _____
 Single-Family Park Vacant
 Multi-Family Industrial Religious
 Public Agricultural Other
 Commercial
Building Condition: _____ Integrity: _____
 Excellent Site Unaltered
 Good Ruins Minor Alterations
 Deteriorated Major Alterations

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STATUS

Preliminary Evaluation: _____ Final Register Status: _____
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DOCUMENTATION

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Date of Slides: 5/77 Date of Photographs: _____
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 Sewer Permit Newspapers SLC Library
 Sanborn Maps Utah State Historical Society Library Other

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

Deseret News, July 3, 1915, p. 2.
Polk, Salt Lake City Directory, 1907-1970.
Salt Lake County Records.
Pioneers and Prominent Men of Utah, 857.

Architect/Builder:

Building Materials: brick and wood

Building Type/Style: Victorian eclectic

Description of physical appearance & significant architectural features:

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

This is a Victorian pattern book cottage very similar to #126 next door. Both are one-and-a-half story brick homes with wooden front sections that are open below to create a front porch, enclosed with woodshingle siding above. Within the porch area is a wooden bay window.



Statement of Historical Significance:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal Americans | <input type="checkbox"/> Communication | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Mining | <input type="checkbox"/> Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Minority Groups | <input type="checkbox"/> Socio-Humanitarian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> Exploration/Settlement | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation | |

This house is contributory because the Victorian pattern book style adds to the historic architectural character of the Avenues.

Henrietta Dyer Ellerbeck, the widow of Thomas Witton Ellerbeck (1851-1895) bought this property in 1906. She took out a mortgage from Deseret Savings Bank in 1908 to build this house. Ellerbeck (1842-1915) had come to Utah in 1862 from England as a convert to Mormonism. She married Thomas W. in 1863, however, he lived his later years with his plural wife, Emma Spence. Henrietta built and lived at 140 B Street and later at 158 1st Avenue. After she built this home, she lived here until her death.

Ellerbeck's children Louisa Felt, Frances, Walter and Geneva Benedict (See 126 1st Avenue) owned the house until 1920 when they sold it to Wayne Decker Wayne. Decker was the vice-president and manager of Decker Jewellery Company. There is no information on Decker in the sources checked. Decker lived in the house until 1926.

In 1927, the house is listed as a duplex in the city directories. Elijah M. Weiler Jr. is the only occupant in 1929. He was born on April 6, 1878, to Elijah M. and Emily Carmon Weiler. He married Ida Plitt on June 7, 1900. He served an LDS Mission to the Southern States. He worked for Heber J. Grant and Company for fifty years. He died in 1956. He lived in this house until 1933. In 1939 a C. Allen Stevenson lived here. Waldo L. Mabbitt and Arth E. Snow lived in the house in 1936. Snow and Mabbitt lived in the house separately over the next few years. In 1941 there was a "Park-a-Tot" Nursery in part of the house. A Mrs. Rebecca W. Simon lived in the house from 1946 to 1950's. She lived in one of several apartments. She no longer lived in the house in 1960. There is no more information on these people in the records checked.



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IDENTIFICATION

Street Address: 130-132 1st Avenue (68-70) Plat I Bl. 1 Lot 4
Name of Structure: T. R. S.
Present Owner: Ahlrichs, Anthon, Life Et Al UTM:
Owner Address: Tax #:

2
AGE/CONDITION/USE

Original Owner: Hill and Snow Construction Date: 1902 Demolition Date:
Original Use: multi-family
Present Use: Occupants:
 Single-Family Park Vacant
 Multi-Family Industrial Religious
 Public Agricultural Other
 Commercial
Building Condition: Integrity:
 Excellent Site Unaltered
 Good Ruins Minor Alterations
 Deteriorated Major Alterations

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STATUS

Preliminary Evaluation: Final Register Status:
 Significant National Landmark District
 Contributory National Register Multi-Resource
 Not Contributory State Register Thematic
 Intrusion

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DOCUMENTATION

Photography: Date of Slides: 5/77 Date of Photographs:
Views: Front Side Rear Other Views: Front Side Rear Other
Research Sources:
 Abstract of Title City Directories LDS Church Archives
 Plat Records Biographical Encyclopedias LDS Genealogical Society
 Plat Map Obituary Index U of U Library
 Tax Card & Photo County & City Histories BYU Library
 Building Permit Personal Interviews USU Library
 Sewer Permit Newspapers SLC Library
 Sanborn Maps Utah State Historical Society Library Other

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

Polk, Salt Lake City Directory, 1903-1907.
Deseret News, January 7, 1924, p. 1, sec. 2.
Salt Lake Building Permit, #2447, July 11, 1902.

Architect/Builder:

Building Materials: buff brick Building Type/Style:

Description of physical appearance & significant architectural features:

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

This is a two-story apartment building, similar in color and massing, though plainer, to the elite Louise Grace Emery Apartments which were being erected at the same time down the street at 101-107 1st Avenue. It has a facade of buff-colored brick with two projecting two-story bay windows, which give each apartment a view up and down the Avenue. Above the wooden cornice with its dentil molding is a brick parapet. Window sills and lintels are stone. Above the entrances and the two large windows in each bay are transoms with leaded art glass.



Statement of Historical Significance:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal Americans | <input type="checkbox"/> Communication | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Mining | <input type="checkbox"/> Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Minority Groups | <input type="checkbox"/> Socio-Humanitarian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> Exploration/Settlement | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation | |

Similar in style to the Louise Grace Emery Apartments at 101-105-107 1st Avenue, this partment building is contributory because of its architectural style.

This duplex was built by Hill and Snow for \$5500. Lewis B. Hill, a bookkeeper, had a house where 126 1st Avenue now stands. He was a bookkeeper at Deseret National Bank. Leslie W. Snow lived at 122 1st Avenue. He was a surgeon in Salt Lake City for thirty-five years and a staff member of the LDS Hospital. The house was rented.

George E. Ellerbeck and Eugene P. Gaylord lived in the duplex in 1903. Ellerbeck, a dentist, was born October 2, 1867, to Thomas A. and Emma Spencer Ellerbeck. He attended the Philadelphia Dental College and practiced dentistry in Utah. His funeral was in the 18th Ward Chapel. There is no information available on Eugen P. Gaylord.



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Researcher: Jessie Embry

Site No. 9

Date:

Utah State Historical Society Historic Preservation Research Office Structure/Site Information Form

IDENTIFICATION 1

Street Address: 134 1st Avenue (76) Plat I Bl. 1 Lot _____
 Name of Structure: Esther Apartments T. _____ R. _____ S. _____
 Present Owner: Noyes, Eva A. UTM: _____
 Owner Address: _____ Tax #: _____

AGE/CONDITION/USE 2

Original Owner: George R. Guthrie/Hans P. Larsen Construction Date: 1909 Demolition Date: _____
 Original Use: multi-family residential
 Present Use: _____ Occupants: _____
 Single-Family Park Vacant
 Multi-Family Industrial Religious
 Public Agricultural Other
 Commercial
 Building Condition: _____ Integrity: _____
 Excellent Site Unaltered
 Good Ruins Minor Alterations
 Deteriorated Major Alterations

STATUS 3

Preliminary Evaluation: _____ Final Register Status: _____
 Significant National Landmark District
 Contributory National Register Multi-Resource
 Not Contributory State Register Thematic
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DOCUMENTATION 4

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 Research Sources:
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 Plat Map Obituary Index U of U Library
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 Building Permit Personal Interviews USU Library
 Sewer Permit Newspapers SLC Library
 Sanborn Maps Utah State Historical Society Library Other

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

Polk, SLC Directory, 1910.
 Salt Lake City building permit, USHS, #2350, March 12, 1909.
 Salt Lake Tribune, Jan. 11, 1940, p.17.
 "Frank M. Ulmer," Architect's File, USHS.
 Deseret News, Sept 24, 1960, p.B-5.

Architect/Builder: Ulmer/

Building Materials: brick Building Type/Style: 1910's eclectic

Description of physical appearance & significant architectural features:

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

This is a three-story brick apartment building with a basement level below. The front facade has a parapet with simple brick corbelling and paneling. Below the parapet is a bracketted wooden cornice. The third floor center (stairwell) window has a large brick arch with a decorative keystone. All windows are casements with the upper third of the window divided into smaller panes, a product of the Arts and Crafts movement of the period. There is a watertable of rough brick separating the basement and the first floor. Note that the first floor porches are actually the roofs of part of the basement apartments. The brick on the front of the building has been painted.



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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal Americans | <input type="checkbox"/> Communication | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Mining | <input type="checkbox"/> Science |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Minority Groups | <input type="checkbox"/> Socio-Humanitarian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> Exploration/Settlement | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation | |

This apartment is contributory because of its architectural style which adds to the historic character of the Avenues. (see above).

George R. Guthrie took out the building permit for these apartments in 1909. There is no more information on Guthrie in the sources checked. Hans P. Larsen was a practical well driller. He was born Nov. 30, 1842 in Denmark to Rasmus Kearn and Marie Rannahare Larsen. He married Caroline J.M. Nielsen in 1865. He came to Utah in 1863. He was a member of the LDS Church.

The architecture for this building was Frank Merriam Ulmer. Ulmer was born in Appleton, Maine on January 31, 1849 to Philip and Lucy Rannels Ulmer. He lived in Salt Lake City for fifty years and among other sites designed the LDS Hospital.



Researcher: Jessie Embry
Date: Jan. 28, 1978

Site No. 10

Utah State Historical Society
Historic Preservation Research Office
Structure/Site Information Form

1
IDENTIFICATION

Street Address: 136 1st Avenue (80) Plat I Bl. 1 Lot 4
Name of Structure: _____ T. R. S.
Present Owner: Nicholls, William J & Nancy C. UTM: _____
Owner Address: _____ Tax #: _____

2
AGE/CONDITION/USE

Original Owner: John A. Grosbeck Construction Date: 1905 Demolition Date: _____
Original Use: single-family residential
Present Use: _____ Occupants: _____
 Single-Family Park Vacant
 Multi-Family Industrial Religious
 Public Agricultural Other
 Commercial
Building Condition: _____ Integrity: _____
 Excellent Site Unaltered
 Good Ruins Minor Alterations
 Deteriorated Major Alterations

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STATUS

Preliminary Evaluation: _____ Final Register Status: _____
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DOCUMENTATION

Photography: 5/77
Date of Slides: _____ Date of Photographs: _____
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Research Sources: _____
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 Sanborn Maps Utah State Historical Society Library Other

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

Deseret News, July 21, 1930, p.1, section 2.
Salt Lake City Building Permit, #530, February 1905.
Salt Lake Tribune, May 6, 1968, p.28.
Deseret News August 23, 1964, B-13
William Nicolls, Telephone Interview, October 16, 1978, SLC, Utah.

Architect/Builder:

Building Materials: brick

Building Type/Style: box type

Description of physical appearance & significant architectural features:

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

The house has a cubical shape with a hipped roof and a hipped-roofed dormer window. On the first floor is a curved brick bay window. Note the characteristic turn-of-the-century windows with large lower sashes and small fixed upper sashes. The house appears to be in good original condition.



Statement of Historical Significance:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal Americans | <input type="checkbox"/> Communication | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Mining | <input type="checkbox"/> Science |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Minority Groups | <input type="checkbox"/> Socio-Humanitarian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> Exploration/Settlement | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation | |

The box type massing materials of this home contribute to the architectural character of the Avenues.

John A. Groesbeck was associated with Studebaker Company for years, worked with the Red Cross during World War I and was a member of the Republican central committee. He was secretary-treasurer of the Utah Fire Clay Company and treasurer of the Jordan Fur and Reclamation. He was treasurer of Salt Lake County from 1908 to 1912. He was secretary for the Alta Club.

Groesbeck married Tessie Clawson, a granddaughter of Brigham Young. He took out a building permit to build this house in 1905. After his death at this house in 1930, the house stood vacant for a year. Glenn M. Wagner then bought the house. Wagner, a maintenance engineer, was born on Jan. 3, 189, in Aspen, Colorado to James and Mary Riley Wagner. He married Lyla Andreason on July 2, 1912 in Idaho Falls. He was a member of the Christian Science Church.

Wagner sold the house to Milton Hyrum Harris in about 1936. Harris, the executive secretary of the Utah Taxpayers Association from 1932 to 1966 was born on Jan. 1, 1888 in Payson to Dennon E. and Eunice Steward Harris. He lived in Juarez, Mexico and Cardston, Alberta as a child. He married Bernice Dalton on Sept. 15, 1961. Harris was an expert on taxes and besides being executive secretary of the Taxpayers Association, he also edited the "Utah Taxpayer." He was a member of a number of advisory boards. He was Chairman of the Western States Taxpayer Conference, an office in the National Tax Association and a secretary of the Utah Committee of the Hoover Report. He was listed in "Who's Who in the Commerce and Industry."

Harris attended Brigham Young University and Columbia and received his PhD from Stanford. He taught at the City College of New York from 1919 to 1926 and at Utah State Agricultural College.

A member of the LDS Church, Harris served a mission to Germany and Switzerland. He was a member of the Eighteenth Ward bishopric. He died in 1968. At the time of his death he lived at 105 East South Temple.

Harris sold the house in about 1966 to Leonard Lewis, an attorney, who bought it as an investment and rented it. The current owner, William Nicolls bought it in about 1974. He has been restoring the house.



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