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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
 INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

 SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
 TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS
1 NAME

HISTORIC The Methodist Episcopal Church of Payette

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Corner of 1st Avenue South and 9th Street

 --NOT FOR PUBLICATION First
 CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

CITY, TOWN

Payette

-- VICINITY OF

075

STATE

Idaho

CODE

16

COUNTY

Payette

CODE

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Payette County Historical Society

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Payette

-- VICINITY OF

STATE

Idaho

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION
 COURTHOUSE,
 REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Payette County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Payette

STATE

Idaho

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE Idaho State Historic Sites Inventory

DATE 1972

 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

 DEPOSITORY FOR
 SURVEY RECORDS

Idaho State Historical Society

CITY, TOWN

610 North Julia Davis Drive

STATE

Boise, Idaho

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Payette, Idaho, Methodist Episcopal Church is a brick building with wooden frame roof and Queen Anne gable detailing. The basic style is Gothic, but this is indicated almost exclusively by lancet windows and not by buttresses, finials, or other Gothic features.

A square corner tower once supported a wooden belfry and steeple. (Plans are underway to restore it from early photographs.) The principal gable runs east and west. It is intersected by a lower gable just beyond the tower, and crossed by a high gable on the west end. This longer gable extends beyond the main block of the building, creating space for a corner porch with two pointed arched doors.

Functionally, the main gable contains the sanctuary, with a raised altar area on the north. The west, crossing gable, was used for church school, later remodeled to contain two stories.

The outstanding feature of this church is its large stained glass windows. The two principal ones in the sanctuary are on the south: Christ in Gethsemane, from the painting by Hofmann, and on the east: The Good Shepherd. Even the church school rooms have fine stained glass in every window.

Significant changes, all to be restored, are the missing belfry, poured concrete porches with iron railings, and new front doors. The brick of the exterior has been painted.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input checked="" 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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" 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 1904

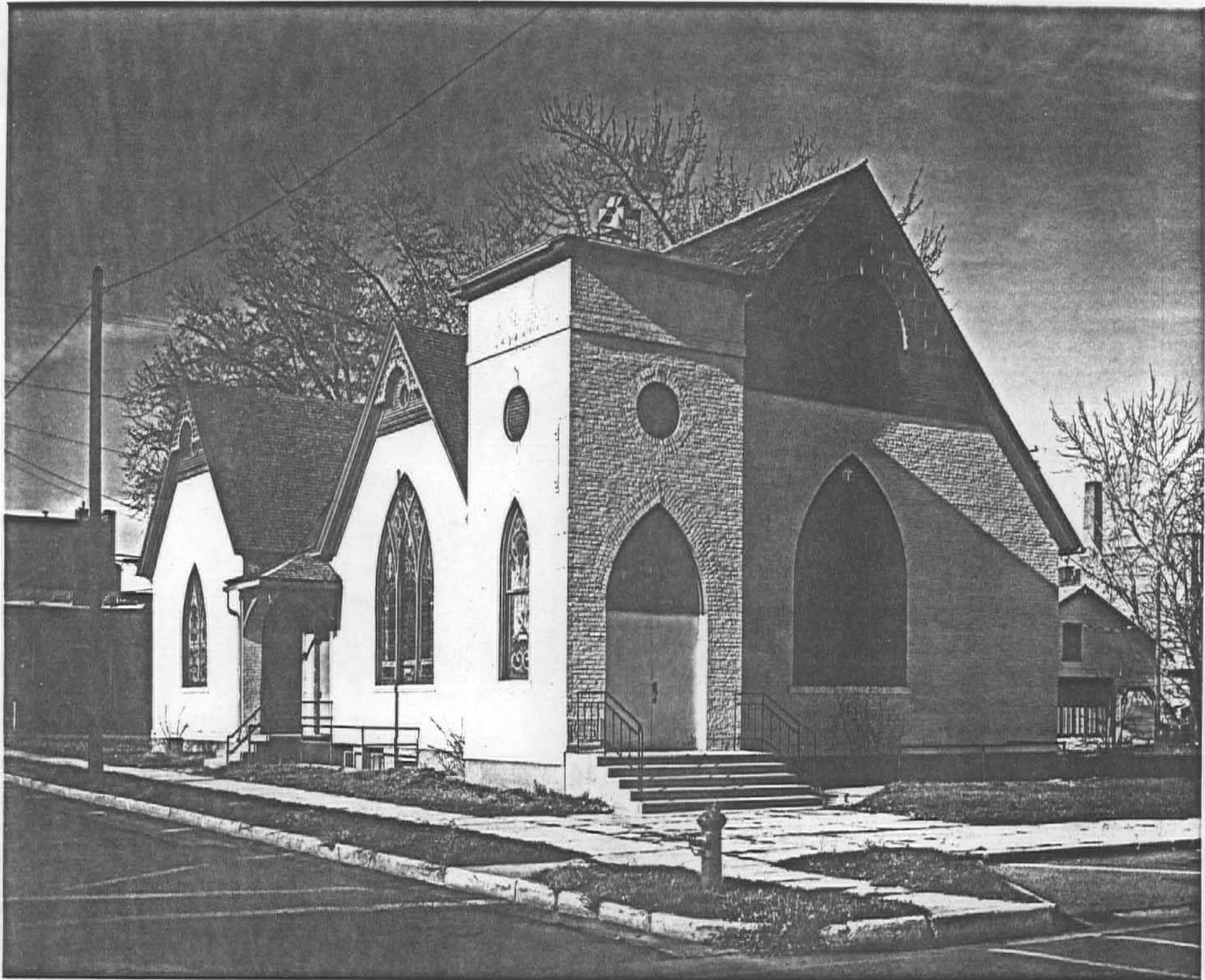
BUILDER/ARCHITECT William Noot

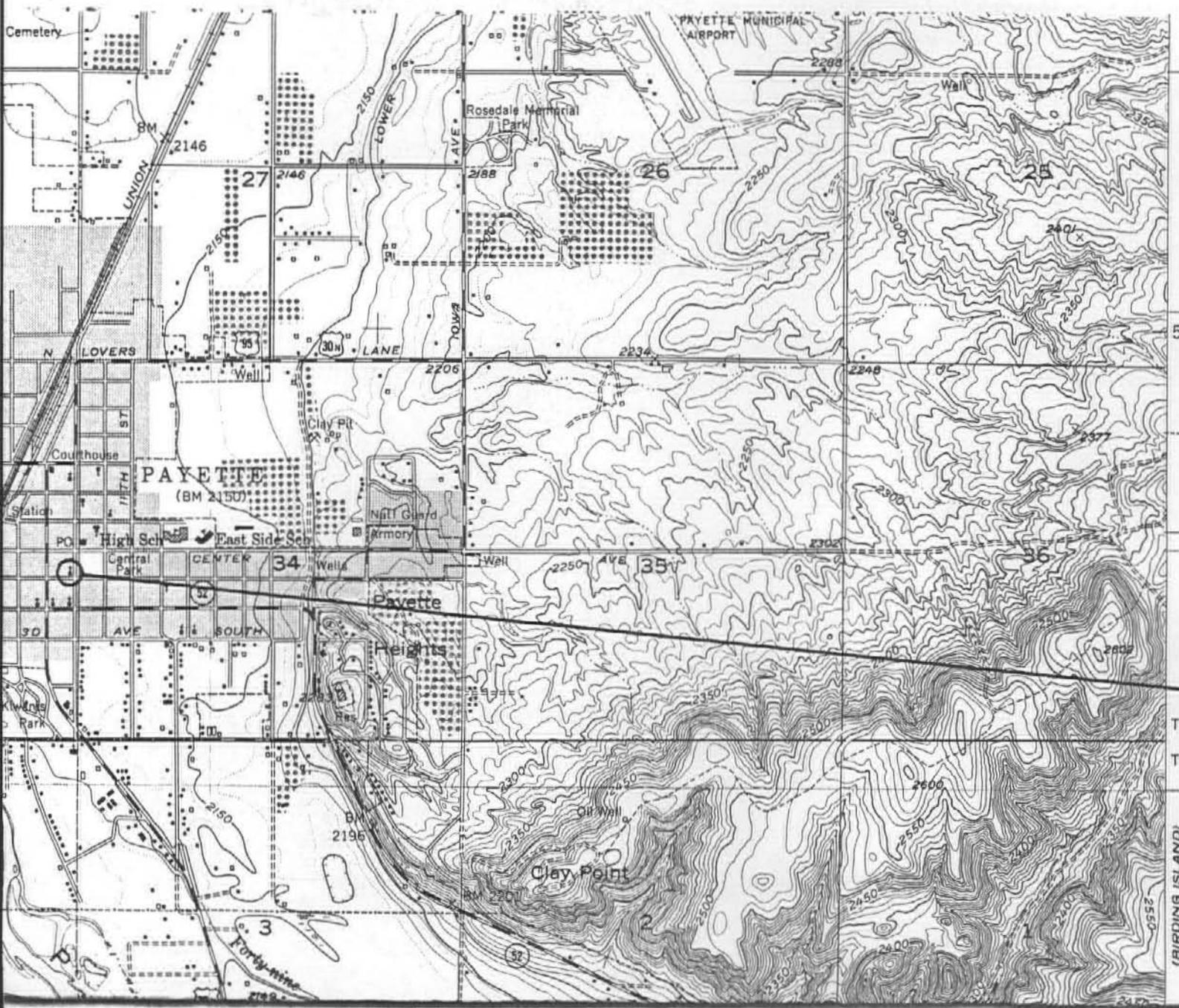
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

William Noot, city engineer of Payette, Idaho, designed two churches at the turn of the century, of which the Methodist Episcopal of 1904 is the finer. Since the Baptist Church now faces demolition, it is fortunate that this sole example of Noot's work is to be preserved and restored by the Payette County Historical Society, the present owner.

Since few Payette buildings date from before 1904, the building is significant as an example of early local architecture. It is regarded as an important landmark by the community which has generously contributed to its preservation and restoration.

The stained glass windows are significant in that there is probably no other church in the state of its era with as much fine glass in proportion to total area.





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Methodist Episcopal
Church
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