

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

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

SITE NAME: John Sheidigger, house and outbuildings *Paris, Idaho* SITE # 9

LOCATION: East side of Highway 89, South of Paris, Idaho, about one mile.

OWNER'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Jesse J. Sheidigger, Paris, ID 83261

QUADRANGLE AND SCALE: Paris, 7.5 minute ACREAGE: about four acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: The nomination includes the John Sheidigger house and out-
buildings and the property on which it stands, T-2914, south of the Paris plat and within

UTM(S): 12/4, 67, .10/46, 73, 350 the Paris Village limits.

DATE OR PERIOD: ca. 1880s EVALUATED LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: Local

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE: architecture

DESCRIPTION: Fair condition altered original sitt

The Sheidigger house and outbuildings exhibit the common hall-and-parlor Mormon farmhouse in combination with an elongated farmstead layout. Behind the house is a conglomerate of ten balloon frame outbuildings, including a granary with exposed studs and a tall hay shed open on its western exposure. In addition there are a hay and stock barn made of hewn logs joined with half-dovetail notches and a Mormon derrick with a tripod base of poles and a heavy log boom and mast. These outbuildings are lined one behind another along the northern edge of the property.

The hall-and-parlor farmhouse has a forward rectangular section with a central door flanked by two windows, now boarded over. Each gable has a window offset toward the facade and a centered interior chimney with a corbelled cap. The paneled front door is surmounted by a transom with an oval light. Corner boards outline the facade, and the gables have bedboards just below the roofline. The shingled roof sits at a forty-five degree angle, with the gable of the rear ell extending somewhat above the front section, creating a small section of hipped roof.

The rear ells resemble the main section in construction. The one-and-one-half-story left section has a tall corbelled chimney, an entrance on the northern exposure, and a recent double door in the eastern wall, possibly added for use as an outbuilding. The one-story right ell is a lean-to with a rear panel door and two double-hung sash windows in the south wall.

SIGNIFICANCE:

The Sheidigger house is significant as another nearly pure example of the hall-and-parlor house, built in frame and clapboard. Its rear ell is a significant variant with its whimsical steep roof peaking above the house facade. Two chimneys balance this example of an almost rigidly symmetrical house type. On the Sheidigger house a modicum of ornament is used: transom and corner and bed boards. The house has to its rear an elongated farmstead layout, one of the several layouts used by Paris farmers.



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John Sheidigger house, site #9

Highway 89, South of Paris, Bear Lake County, Idaho

Photographer: Patricia Wright
May, 1979

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Boise, Idaho

view from northwest

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Historic Resources of Paris (Partial Inventory:
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John Sheiddiger outbuildings, site #9

Highway 89, South of Paris, Bear Lake County, Idaho

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View from northwest

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