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

NOMINATION: Historic Resources of Challis (Partial Inventory: Architectural Properties)

SITE NAME: Stone Building SITE # 17

LOCATION: Third Street, Challis, Idaho

OWNER'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Alice Swigert, Box 564, Challis, Idaho 83226

QUADRANGLE AND SCALE: Challis, 15 minute ACREAGE: less than one

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: The nomination includes a Stone Building and the property on which it stands, block 14, T-663, Challis, Idaho

UTM(S): 11/7,19,775/49,31,525

DATE OR PERIOD: 1880's EVALUATED LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: Local

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE: architecture

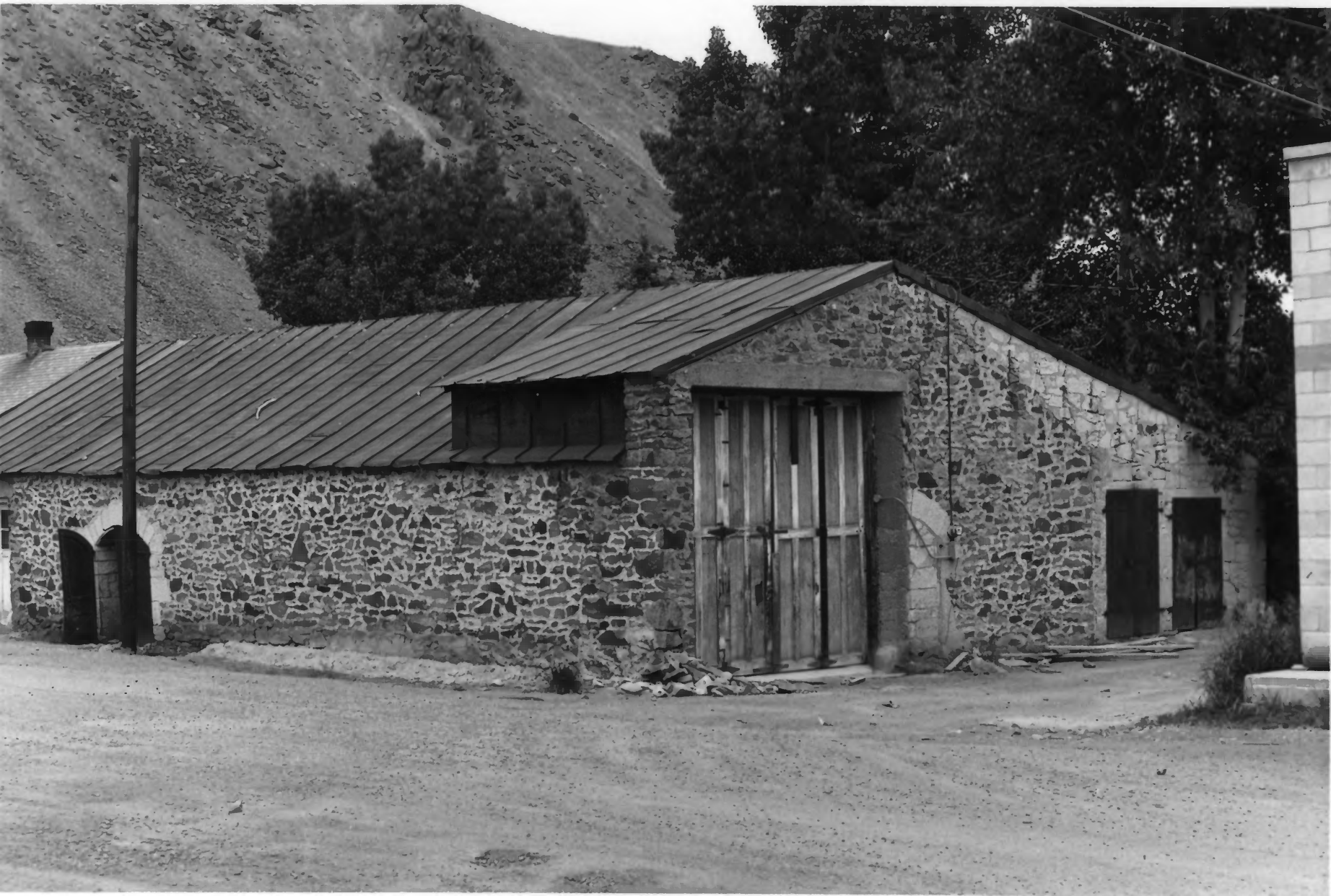
fair condition altered original site

DESCRIPTION:

This rubble stone building stands behind the Challis Cold Storage (site 16), extending along Third Street. A long, gabled building of one and a half stories, the structure has fenestration dating from at least two periods. Iron doors on large iron hinges and matching iron-covered windows are set into tuff-quoined round arches with heavy, outset keystones. A series of wooden doors are a later addition; these are paneled, some with upper lights, and they have simple flat lintels shaped from tuff. The mortar for the uncoursed rubble walls of rhyolitic rock is adobe pointed with lime. The roof is sheeted with iron. On the south wall one can detect where the roof has been raised to create a longer, shallower slope and more interior space. This newer wall is built up of the lighter colored tuff.

SIGNIFICANCE:

This store or shop building is thought locally to be connected with the Shoup store (site 16) in front of it on Main Avenue. Even with its later alterations, which are readily discernible, this building is a significant example of the less polished stonework reserved for utilitarian design. The iron doors, now a rarity in Idaho, match those described for the Shoup store in its original state.



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