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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORMSEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Ridenbaugh Hall

AND/OR COMMON

LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

University of Idaho

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Moscow

VICINITY OF

First

STATE

Idaho

CODE
16COUNTY
LatahCODE
057

CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

DISTRICT

X BUILDING(S)

STRUCTURE

SITE

OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

X PUBLIC

PRIVATE

BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

IN PROCESS

BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

X OCCUPIED

UNOCCUPIED

WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

YES: RESTRICTED

X YES: UNRESTRICTED

NO

PRESENT USE

AGRICULTURE

MUSEUM

COMMERCIAL

PARK

X EDUCATIONAL

PRIVATE RESIDENCE

ENTERTAINMENT

RELIGIOUS

GOVERNMENT

SCIENTIFIC

INDUSTRIAL

TRANSPORTATION

MILITARY

OTHER:

OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

University of Idaho

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CITY, TOWN

Moscow

VICINITY OF

STATE

Idaho

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Latah County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Moscow

STATE

Idaho

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Idaho State Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

1972

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Idaho State Historical Society

CITY, TOWN

Boise

COUNTY LOCAL

STATE

Idaho

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED
☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Ridenbaugh Hall is a three-story brick building in the Italian Renaissance revival style. It is distinguished by a centered second story frame loggia. Ionic columns support the loggia's garlanded frieze and hipped roof. The main entry, below the loggia, has a round arched portal with flanking windows of similar design. The second story windows are also round arched and are connected by a stone band, a typical Italian Renaissance motif. Rusticated stone is also employed in the second story window sills and the bandings below the third story windows and between the first and second stories.

Ridenbaugh Hall was originally erected as a women's dormitory. Its exterior remains unaltered, although its interior has been remodeled to accommodate the needs of the music department.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
☐ PREHISTORIC	☐ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	☐ COMMUNITY PLANNING	☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	☐ RELIGION
☐ 1400-1499	☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	☐ CONSERVATION	☐ LAW	☐ SCIENCE
☐ 1500-1599	☐ AGRICULTURE	☐ ECONOMICS	☐ LITERATURE	☐ SCULPTURE
☐ 1600-1699	☒ ARCHITECTURE	☐ EDUCATION	☐ MILITARY	☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
☐ 1700-1799	☐ ART	☐ ENGINEERING	☐ MUSIC	☐ THEATER
☐ 1800-1899	☐ COMMERCE	☐ EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	☐ PHILOSOPHY	☐ TRANSPORTATION
☒ 1900-	☐ COMMUNICATIONS	☐ INDUSTRY	☐ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)
		☐ INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

1902

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

W. A. Ritchie

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Ridenbaugh Hall is architecturally significant as a good example of the Italian Renaissance revival style in Idaho. Its loggia, which is one of the hallmarks of the style, is a rarity in Idaho.

W. A. Ritchie of Spokane was one of the foremost architects of the period in the Pacific Northwest. He designed many of Washington's public buildings including its capitol, various county courthouses and several structures on the Washington State University campus in Pullman. This is the only extant building by Ritchie in Idaho which retains its integrity.

Ridenbaugh Hall is also significant for its associations with the heritage of the University of Idaho. When erected in 1902 it was one of only four buildings on the campus, and today it is the University's oldest brick structure.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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Rafe Gibbs, Beacon for Mountain and Plain.
Lewiston Tribune, June 4th, 1901, p. 2, c. 4.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than one acre

UTM REFERENCES

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ZONE

EASTING

NORTHING

C

B

ZONE

EASTING

NORTHING

D

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

CODE

COUNTY

CODE

STATE

CODE

COUNTY

CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Don Hibbard, Architectural Historian

ORGANIZATION

Idaho State Historical Society

STREET & NUMBER

610 North Julia Davis Drive

CITY OR TOWN

Boise

July 24 1977
DATE

TELEPHONE

384-2120

STATE

Idaho

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL ☐

STATE ☒

LOCAL ☐

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Merle Wells

TITLE

State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

24 July 1977

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

9/14/77

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

9.13.77



PROPERTY OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Latah County

Ridenbaugh Hall
University of Idaho
Moscow, Idaho
Arthur Hart - photographer
1975
Idaho State Historical Society
Front and side view from the south
Slide collection

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