

HISTORIC NAME: Bohart House
 ADDRESS: 510 N. Church, Bozeman
 LEGAL BOUNDARY: Tract 4, Blk 6 of
 Babcock and Davis
 Addition
 OWNER'S NAME: Harry and Sadie Ungersma
 OWNER ADDRESS: 510 N. Church, Bozeman
 SPECIFIC DATE: c.1889
 ARCHITECT: Unknown
 BUILDER: Unknown
 ORIGINAL OWNER: Freeman Bohart
 ORIGINAL USE: residence
 PRESENT USE: residence
 UTM REFERENCE: 12/497790/5058870
 ACREAGE: less than one
 U.S.G.S. QUAD: Bozeman, 1953



STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:
 Applicable Criteria: C
 Number of Contributing Properties: 1

The significance of the Bohart House centers upon the fact that it was one of the last houses in Bozeman built during the building boom which was triggered in the early 1880's by the arrival of the Northern Pacific Railroad. This house represents the northern limit of the city's residential expansion during that active period. Indeed, the 1890 Sanborn Map shows "cultivated fields" behind this site, which, although platted, had yet to be substantially developed. The design of the house is of note due to the unusual combination gable-hipped roof which is terminated by gable peaks, and which is crowned by the gable peak of the rear ell. The hip roof porch roof echos this form. The house retains high integrity, and is in good overall condition.

Although a shortage of brick hampered somewhat the rapid growth of the commercial district and surrounding residential areas at the height of the building boom, by 1889 when this house was built, Bozeman was exporting brick, and plenty of the material was available for modest houses such as this. In August of that year, the Avant Courier reported that "a carload of Bozeman brick will leave today for Red Lodge" (August 29, 1889, p.3). The extensive use of brick rather than wood during this period attests to the optimism among residents here that Bozeman would remain a permanent and prosperous settlement in a region accustomed to boom-bust cycles of growth.

According to original tract records, the house was probably built by Freeman Bohart in 1889. Bohart however, does not appear in either the 1892 or 1900 city directories, the earliest two available.

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

This detached, one-story, single family, brick residence has a T-shaped plan with two hipped roof porches extending from the combination gable-hipped roof. The porches are finished with wooden decks, chamfered support posts and small knee braces with inset spindle work. The two-bay facade is symmetrical and consists of a central front entrance with one-over-one double-hung window with two-over-two storm sash. The structure rests on a stone foundation. The gable-hipped combination roof is covered with asphalt shingles. The axis of the roof is parallel to the street and two small gables with stagger butt shingles protrude at the ends of the gable roof line. Outbuildings include a garage and a shed.

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Bozeman MRA

State Gallatin County, MONTANA

Nomination/Type of Review	Date/Signature
Cover Substantive Review	Keeper <u>Beth Grosvenor Boland 10/23/87</u>
1. Beall Park Community Center Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Helene Byers 10/23/87</u>
2. Bohart House Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Helene Byers 10/23/87</u>
3. Bon Ton Historic District Substantive Review	Keeper <u>Beth Grosvenor Boland 10/23/87</u>
4. Bozeman Armory Substantive Review	Keeper <u>Carol O'Shull 10-22-87</u>
5. Bozeman Brewery Historic District Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Helene Byers 10/23/87</u>
6. Bozeman Sheet Metal Works Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Helene Byers 10/23/87</u>
7. Bozeman YMCA Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Helene Byers 10/23/87</u>
8. Brandenburg House Substantive Review	Keeper <u>Beth Grosvenor Boland 10/23/87</u>
9. Bridger Arms Apartments Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Helene Byers 10/23/87</u>
10. Busch House Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Helene Byers 10/23/87</u>

8. Significance

Period Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

____ national ____ state ____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title date

13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



INDEPENDENT RESOURCE PHOTO #27

510 North Church, looking W

Bohart House

Bozeman MRA, Bozeman, Gallatin Co., MT

Photographer, Patricia Bick, SHPO

Date of Photograph, April, 1987

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

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