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Form 10-300
UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY – NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries – complete applicable sections)

1. NAME
   COMMON:

   Perry Hodgden House

2. LOCATION
   STREET AND NUMBER:

   104 West Main

   CITY OR TOWN:

   Ellsworth

   STATE:

   Kansas

   COUNTY:

   Ellsworth

   CODE:

   20

   COUNTY CODE:

   053

3. CLASSIFICATION
   CATEGORY (Check One):

   □ District
   □ Site
   □ Structure
   □ Object

   □ Building

   OWNERSHIP:

   □ Public
   □ Private
   □ Both

   Public Acquisition:

   □ In Process
   □ Being Considered

   STATUS:

   □ Occupied
   □ Unoccupied
   □ Preservation work in progress

   ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC:

   □ Yes:
   □ Restricted
   □ Unrestricted
   □ No

   PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate):

   □ Agricultural
   □ Government
   □ Park
   □ Transportation
   □ Comments

   □ Commercial
   □ Industrial
   □ Private Residence
   □ Other (Specify)

   □ Educational
   □ Military
   □ Religious

   □ Entertainment
   □ Museum
   □ Scientific

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY
   OWNER’S NAME:

   Ellsworth County Historical Society

   STREET AND NUMBER:

   CITY OR TOWN:

   Ellsworth

   STATE:

   Kansas

   CODE:

   67439

   CODE:

   20

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

   Register of Deeds

   STREET AND NUMBER:

   Ellsworth County Courthouse

   CITY OR TOWN:

   Ellsworth

   STATE:

   Kansas

   CODE:

   67439

   CODE:

   20

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS
   TITLE OF SURVEY:

   NONE

   DATE OF SURVEY:

   □ Federal
   □ State
   □ County
   □ Local

   DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

   STREET AND NUMBER:

   CITY OR TOWN:

   STATE:

   CODE:

   FOR NPS USE ONLY

   ENTRY NUMBER

   DATE
The Hodgden House in Ellsworth is a 12-room two-story native stone building. The original rectangular structure measures approximately 30 feet long and 20 feet deep. A later addition to the building, which more than doubled its size, measures approximately 30 by 35 feet. There is no basement under either the original house or the addition. The walls are constructed of native stone which is hand hewn and laid in irregular horizontal courses. These massive stone blocks give a heavy, rustic character to the house. Mortar joints are not tooled, giving further emphasis to the massiveness. The roof over the original building is gabled and overhangs the wall below. The overhang is supported by widely spaced coupled brackets. The roof over the addition is hipped and overhangs the wall below. Both roofs are covered with wood shingles.

The main entrance on the north side of the house is accented by a large porch, which is gabled and has wood shingles. Window openings are simple rectangles with wooden double hung sash windows. The sills are single slabs of stone and the lintels are monolithic stones. An exception are the lintels over the second floor windows on the addition. These are made of angular pieces of stone laid in a flat arch. The second floor windows are also grouped in pairs.

The exterior appearance of the house is believed to be little changed from the original. The house is now used as a museum by the Ellsworth County Historical Society. Additional displays are housed in the large stone stable situated just east of the house.