

RAY R. JONES FARMSTEAD, SALT BOX CHICKEN COOP  
65 feet south-southeast of Residence  
West Jordan  
Salt Lake County  
Utah

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Location: The salt box chicken coop is located approximately 65 feet south-southeast of the residence.

Significance: The salt box chicken coop, along with the hay barn and stable and the bungalow residence, was one of the first structures added to the farm complex when Ray R. Jones obtained the property. It also is an important representative of the Jones family's agricultural livelihood, standing as a reminder of their efforts in raising chickens as part of their farming activities.

Description: Located south-southeast of the residence is a single level chicken coop measuring 20 feet by 78 feet in size. The building is a salt box vernacular building with horizontal plank siding and three projecting gable roof vents along the ridge crest. The south side has three doors and three rectangular window openings which are now covered with corrugated fiberglass.

History: This structure, built in 1932, was the first chicken coop constructed on the property by Ray R. Jones. During the 1930s and 1940s, the coop was used to house many of the 2000 to 2500 chickens being raised by the Jones family.

Sources: Merlin Jones (Personal communication 1995). The aforementioned information was obtained during a telephone conversation between the author and Mr. Jones concerning his father, Ray R. Jones, May 13, 1995.

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