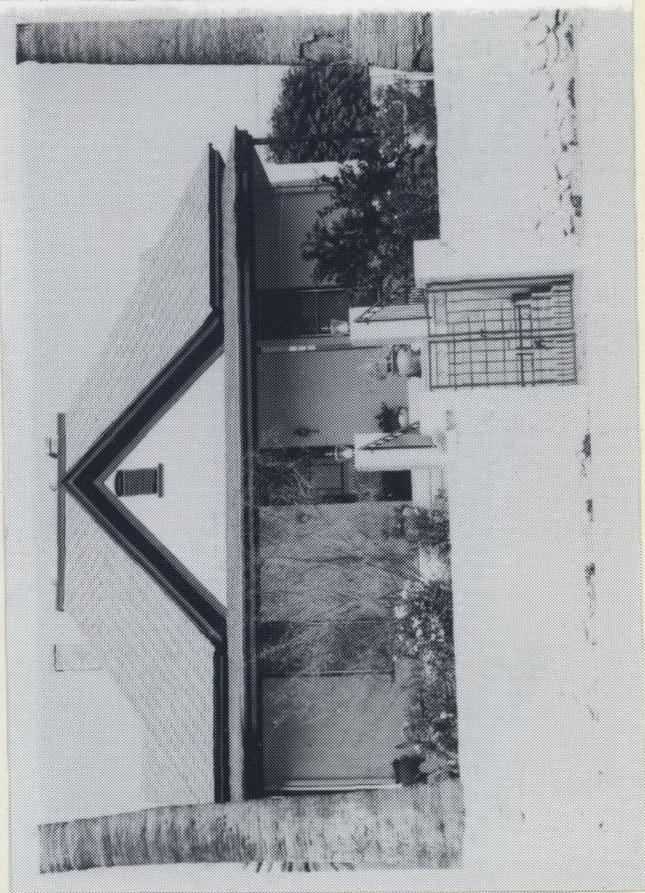


ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

PROPERTY NAME Brown House		CURRENT PHOTOGRAPH 
LOCATION 268 South First Avenue		
CITY/TOWN/VICINITY Yuma	COUNTY Yuma	
OWNER David Cooper		
OWNER'S ADDRESS 268 S. 1st Avenue Yuma, AZ 85364		
FORM COMPLETED BY Yuma County Historical Society		
ADDRESS 240 Madison Avenue Yuma, AZ 85364		
PHOTO BY P. Callahan	DATE 4/78	
VIEW Front elevation from east		
PRESENT USE Office/residential	ACREAGE less/acre	
STYLE OR CULTURAL PERIOD Late 19th Century Brick Cottage		
SIGNIFICANT DATES Constructed 1893		

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION
The house at 268 First Street is a brick structure with symmetrical massing about the long axis. It has a rectangular plan, 35 ft. by 65 ft., which consists of three main elements: the main building at the front, a rear kitchen and dining structure, and an enclosed breezeway which unites the two. The main house has a central hallway running its full length with rooms on both sides. A porch with shed roof extends across the full length of the front facade. The main roof is a truncated hip with attached gables centered in the front and sides. The building is set back from all property lines on an elevated site.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE
Built in 1893 by F. B. Wightman, the Brown House is a well preserved example of a lodging house from the turn of the century. It has been used principally by railroad men as a stopover between Los Angeles and Tucson. In 1907 C. L. Brown acquired the property and used it as a family home until 1943. With the exception of reshingling the roof, and enclosing the breezeway between the kitchen and main building, the structure is little changed from its original appearance. Situated on a rise at the south end of the historic district the house is a prominent landmark.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION
Block 96; Lot 6; Yuma Townsite