

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

Architectural Inventory Form

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Date _____ Initials _____

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I. IDENTIFICATION

1. Resource Number: 5CF406.29
2. Temporary Resource Number: 123
3. County: Chaffee
4. City: Salida
5. Historic Building Name: Salida Auto Co./Ideal Auto Co.
6. Current Building Name: Peter's Interiors, Third St. Suites
7. Building Address: 129 W. 3rd St.
8. Owner Name and Address: Spencer, Robert L., Jr., 422 W. 2nd St., Salida, CO 81201

Parcel Number: 380705149543
SHF Grant Number: 2001-02-004

II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. P.M. N.M. Township 50N Range 9E
1/4 1/4 SW 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 32

10. UTM Reference
Zone 13 Easting 413385 Northing 4265411

11. USGS Quad Name: Salida East, Colo.
Year: 1994 Map Scale: 7.5' Attach photo copy of appropriate map section.

12. Lot (s): 22-26 (part) Block(s): 49
Addition: Haskell's Addition Year of Addition: 1881

13. Boundary Description and Justification:
Boundary includes the building and the urban parcel on which it is situated.

III. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

14. Building Plan (footprint, shape): Rectangular
15. Dimensions in Feet: Length 118 X Width 51
16. Stories: 2
17. Primary External Wall Material(s) (enter no more than two):
Stucco
18. Roof Configuration (enter no more than one):
Flat
19. Primary External Roof Material (enter no more than one): Asphalt
20. Special Features (enter all that apply):
Decorative Cornice, Segmental Arch Windows
21. General Architectural Description:

Two-story rectangular commercial building with flat roof and brick cornice in basket weave pattern. Four segmental arched window openings with keystones: each opening has paired 1/1-light double-hung sash windows with brick sills. First story has a plain shopfront cornice and clerestory windows are covered up. Plate glass display windows are flanked by stuccoed piers. Wall below the windows is stuccoed. At each end of façade are entrances: west entrance has new wood fanlight door with transom and clerestory, while east door is metal frame glazed door with covered transom and clerestory window. Original red brick of building is visible on west wall, as are segmental

arched windows.

Architectural Style/Building Type: Late 19th and Early 20th Century American Movements/Commercial Style

23. Landscaping or Special Setting Features:

N/A

24. Associated Buildings, Features, or Objects:

None

IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of Construction: Estimate 1910 Actual

Source of Information: Sanborn Map, 1909 and City Directory, 1909

26. Architect: Unknown

Source of Information:

27. Builder/Contractor: Unknown

Source of Information:

28. Original Owner: Unknown

Source of Information:

29. Construction History (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions):

This lot was vacant in 1909, according to the Sanborn map. This building appears on 1914 through 1945 Sanborn maps. The building retained the same footprint on all maps from 1914 through 1945. The building has the same appearance that it did at the time of the 1981 survey.

30. Original Location: Yes **Date of Moves**

HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

31. Original Use(s): Commerce and Trade/Specialty Store

32. Intermediate Use(s)

33. Current Use(s): Commerce and Trade/Specialty Store

34. Site Type(s): Commercial Building

35. Historical Background:

Based on an examination of Sanborn fire insurance maps, this building was built about 1910. The building is not shown on the 1909 Sanborn fire insurance map, but is listed in the 1911-12 city directory and does appear on the 1914 Sanborn map. It is addressed as 125-27 on all Sanborn maps.

The Salida Auto Company is listed in the 1911-12 city directory at 125-27 W. 3rd Street. A.B. Goddard and E.P. Wilber were the proprietors. In 1914, the building is identified as a garage, with a machine shop toward the rear. The automobile business listed on this block used this building and the one to the west in their operation. Later city directories used the address 139 W. 3rd Street, suggesting that this east building was built somewhat before the west building.

The 1922-23 city directory lists the Ideal Auto Company as operating in this building and the one to the west. Jason McGowan and William Harrow were the proprietors. The firm was a dealer for Chevrolets and Studebakers and also performed repairing, battery work, and sold accessories. The Ideal Auto Repair Shop appears at this location in the 1927-28 city directory. Charles M. Proctor and Walter Snell were the proprietors. In 1929, the building is shown as an auto sales and service facility. In 1922-23 Proctor was a machinist for the D&RGW Railroad. Proctor alone was shown as the proprietor of the business in the 1930-31 city directory. The 1945 Sanborn map labels the building as an auto repairing facility.

The 1951 and 1961 city directories show the Smith Motor Company in this location. Charles F. Smith was the owner of the business which sold Studebakers. Stallsworth Motors and Economy Datsun operated out of this building and the one to the west from about 1964 to 1985.

36. Sources of Information:

Chaffee County Assessor records; Salida City Directories; Sanborn Insurance Maps; Salida Walking Tours; Survey Form, 129 W. 3rd St., 1981.

VI. SIGNIFICANCE

37. Local Landmark Designation: No **Date of Designation:**
Designating Authority:

38. Applicable National Register Criteria:

- A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad pattern of our history;
 - B. Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;
 - C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or that possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or
 - D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important to history or prehistory.
- Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G (See Manual).

X Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria.

39. Area(s) of Significance:

40. Period of Significance:

41. Level of Significance:

42. Statement of Significance:

This building is associated with the history of automobile-related businesses in downtown Salida, having been built about 1910 as an auto sales and service building. The building continued to house auto sales and service firms through at least 1985.

43. Assessment of Historic Physical Integrity Related to Significance:

Although the brick of the façade has been stuccoed, the building retains its second story paired windows and arched lintels with keystones, as well as a cornice of decorative brickwork. The clerestory windows of the storefront are still present, although covered over, and the building retains entrances at each end of the façade.

VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

44. National Register Field Eligibility Assessment: Not eligible

45. Is there National Register district potential? Discuss. N/A

This building is located in an existing National Register district, the Salida Downtown Historic District.

If there is NRHP district potential, indicate contributing status: N/A

46. If the building is in an existing NRHP district, indicate contributing status: Contributing

VIII. RECORDING INFORMATION

47. Photographic Reference(s): 16: 27A, 29A, 31A.

Negatives Filed At: City of Salida

Photographer: Roger Whitacre

48. Report Title: Downtown Salida Historic Buildings Survey, 2001-02

49. Date(s): September 2002 **50. Recorder(s):** R.L. Simmons/T.H. Simmons

51. Organization: Front Range Research Associates, Inc.

52. Address: 3635 W. 46th Ave.

53. Phone Number(s): (303) 477-7597

NOTE: Please attach a sketch map, a photocopy of the USGS quad map indicating the resource's location, and photographs.

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Downtown Salida Historic Buildings Survey, 2001-02
Sketch Map

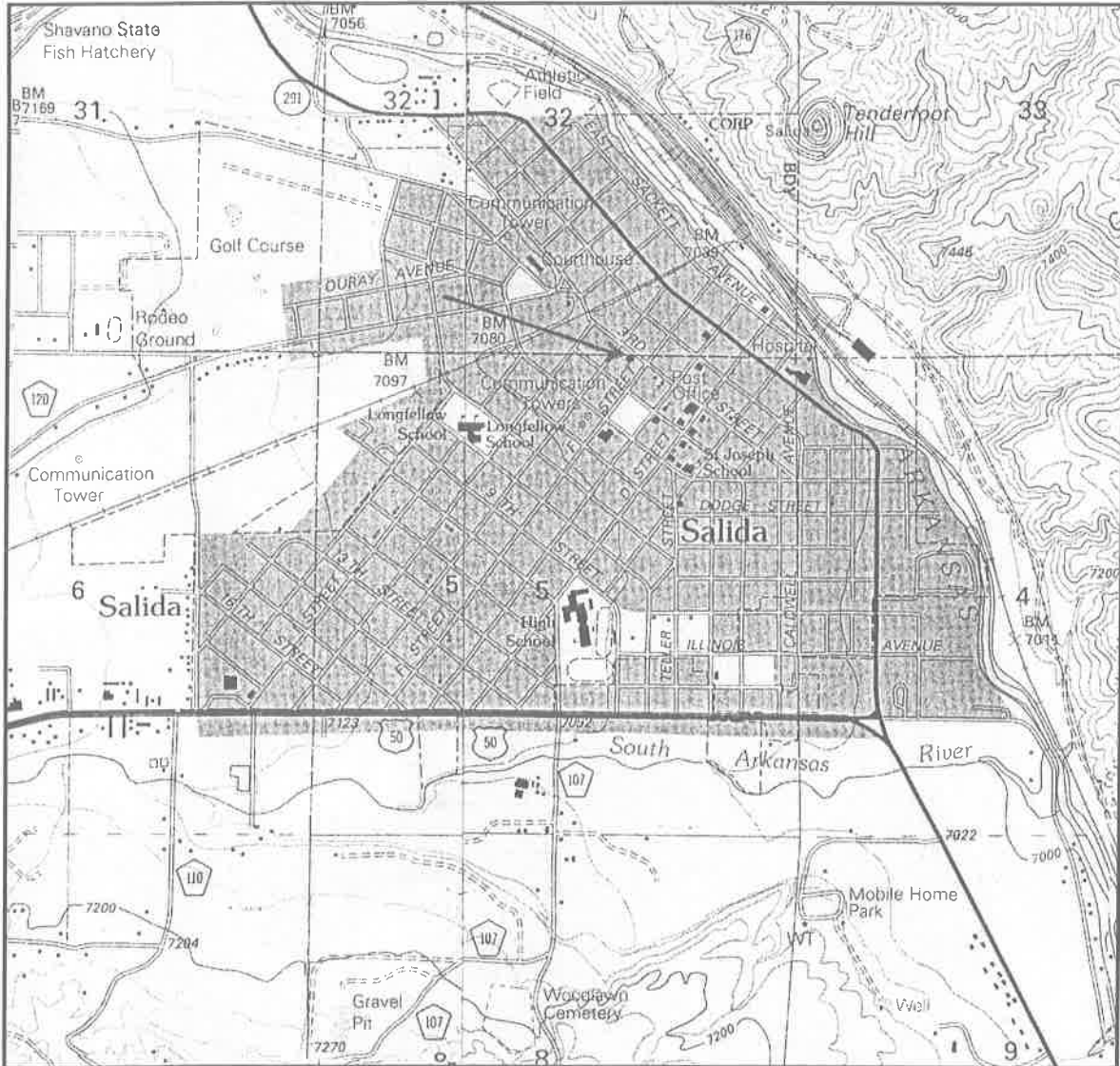


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Downtown Salida Historic Buildings Survey, 2001-02
USGS Location Map

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