

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
**Architectural Inventory Form**

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**I. IDENTIFICATION**

1. Resource Number: 5CF406.24
2. Temporary Resource Number: 112
3. County: Chaffee
4. City: Salida
5. Historic Building Name: Spencer Residence & Millinery, Slater Blacksmith Shop
6. Current Building Name: Soho Annex
7. Building Address: 131 E. 2nd St.
8. Owner Name and Address: Baranczyk, Merle J. & Mary K., 6945 Co. Rd. 111-C, Salida, CO 81201

Parcel Number: 368132431363  
SHF Grant Number: 2001-02-004

**II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION**

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

10. UTM Reference

Zone 13 Easting 413576 Northing 4265428

11. USGS Quad Name: Salida East, Colo.

Year: 1994 Map Scale: 7.5' Attach photo copy of appropriate map section.

12. Lot (s): 5 Block(s): 31

Addition: Salida Original Townsite Year of Addition: 1880

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): Other

15. Dimensions in Feet: Length 50 X Width 23

16. Stories: 1

17. Primary External Wall Material(s) (enter no more than two):

Brick

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):

Brick Cornice, Segmental Arch Window (side wall)

21. General Architectural Description:

One-story painted brick commercial building with flat roof. Façade has corbelled brick cornice. Wood lintel above storefront with hanging sign above entrance. Short red brick chimney at center rear of front section of building. Façade has inset center entrance with paneled and glazed door and clerestory window above door. Flanking entrance are two-part plate glass display windows topped by clerestory windows. Paneled kickplates under windows. West wall has segmental arched window toward rear. East wall is stuccoed and has no openings. Rear part of building is gabled and has corrugated metal roofing.

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

**Landscaping or Special Setting Features:**

N/A

24. **Associated Buildings, Features, or Objects:**

None

#### IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. **Date of Construction:** Estimate 1883 and 1886 Actual

**Source of Information:** Sanborn Maps, 1883 and 1886

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):**

The center part of this building was built first (pre-1886). Between 1888 and 1890 a rectangular rear addition was added, which projected slightly beyond the west wall of the original building. Between 1898 and 1904 the front part of the building adjacent to the street was constructed.

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

#### V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

**Original Use(s):** Domestic/Single Dwelling

32. **Intermediate Use(s)** Commerce and Trade/Specialty Store  
Domestic/Single Dwelling

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

34. **Site Type(s):** Commercial Building

35. **Historical Background:**

The oldest part of this building was constructed between 1883 and 1886 as a dwelling set back from E. 2nd Street. Sanborn maps for 1886 through 1898 continue to identify it as a dwelling. The northern (front) part of the building was erected between 1898 and 1904. Sanborn maps for 1904 through 1945 show this building addressed as 133 E. 2nd Street.

The 1903-04 city directory reported that Mrs. Lula E. Spencer resided here and pursued her trade as a milliner. Amos P. Slater operated a blacksmith shop in the rear portion of the building. The 1904 Sanborn map shows the northern portion of this building in use as a harness shop and the south serving as a dwelling. In 1909 the Christian Science Hall and Reading Room was housed in the building. The 1914 Sanborn map shows a cobbler in the building.

The 1922-23 through 1930-31 city directories list the wall paper business of William C. Keim at this address. The 1945 Sanborn map indicates that a wall paper and paint store was located in the building.

The 1951 and 1961 city directories list Martin's Shoe Repair here. Virgil W. Martin was the owner. At the time of the 1981 historic buildings survey, a "Shoe Service" occupied the building. The "Downtown Walking Tour" remarked "for many years, Virgil and Roberta Martin operated a shoe sales and leather repair business here. Virgil was one of the few shoe repairmen who actively played the stock market."

36. **Sources of Information:**

Chaffee County Assessor records; Salida City Directories; Sanborn Insurance Maps; Salida Downtown Walking Tour, 2002; Historic Building Survey Form, 1981.

**VI. SIGNIFICANCE**

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 began as a dwelling, erected during the first decade of the city's development. The front part of the building was erected at the turn of the century, and the building's current appearance reflects that period of construction. The building has housed a variety of small businesses and once served as the Christian Science Hall. The brick composition with corbelled cornice and inset entrance flanked by display windows with paneled kickplates is representative of late nineteenth commercial construction in Salida.

**43. Assessment of Historic Physical Integrity Related to Significance:**

This building displays good historic physical integrity of its façade, retaining its decorative cornice, inset entrance flanked by display windows, and paneled kickplates. The rear and east walls of the building have been stuccoed.

**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 within 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):** 19: 16, 18, 20, 23.

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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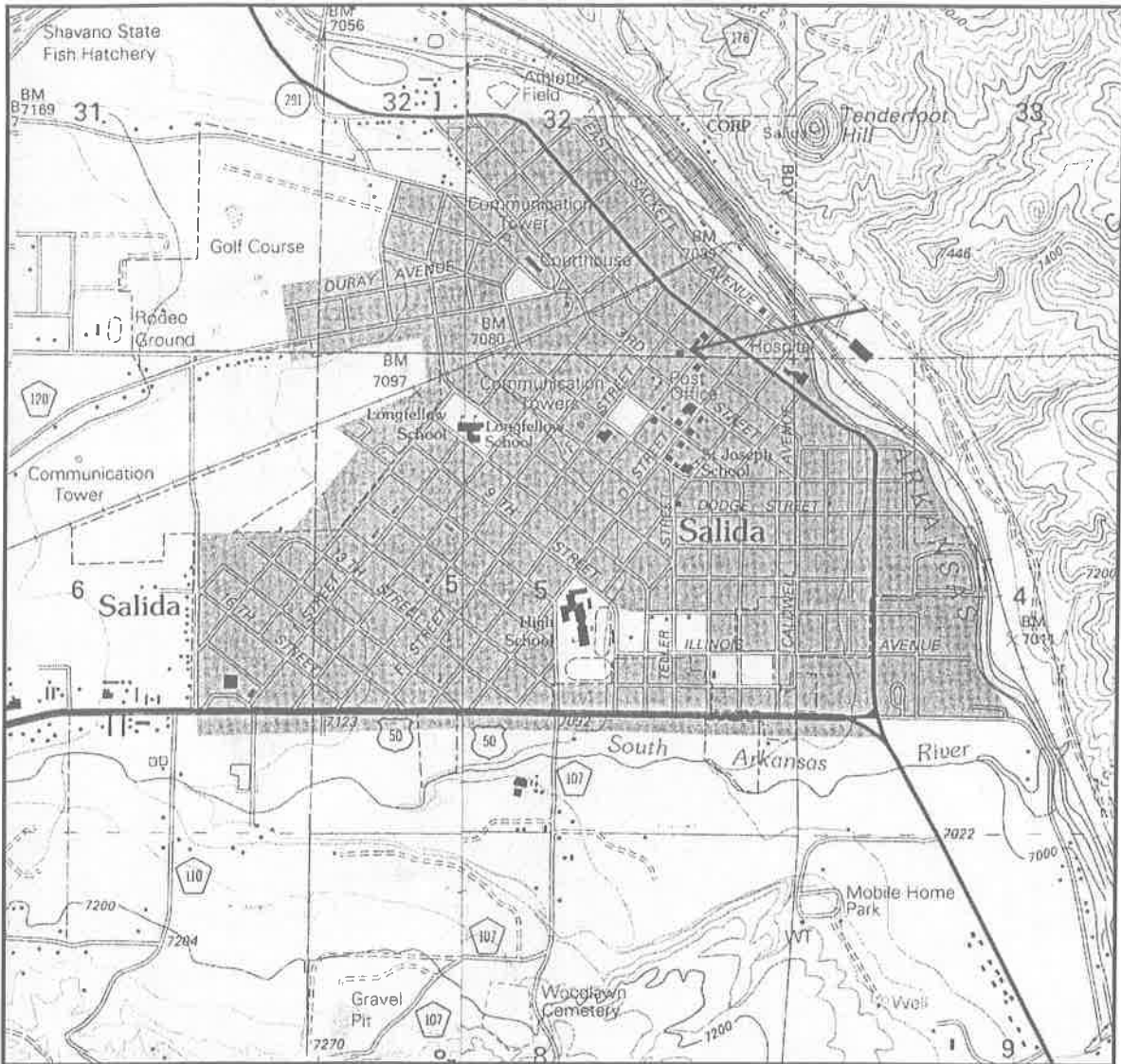


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**Downtown Salida Historic Buildings Survey, 2001-02**  
**USGS Location Map**

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