

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

# Architectural Inventory Form

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## I. IDENTIFICATION

1. Resource Number: 5CF406.38
2. Temporary Resource Number: 10
3. County: Chaffee
4. City: Salida
5. Historic Building Name: Wheeler Block, Cady's Hardware, Paine & Paine Hardware
6. Current Building Name: Gambles, Head Quarters
7. Building Address: 139-41 F St.
8. Owner Name and Address: Cook, William E. and Robert S., P.O. Box 523, Salida, CO 81201

Parcel Number: 368132422252  
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 413562 Northing 4265492

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

12. Lot (s): 14-17 (part) Block(s): 22  
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): Rectangular
15. Dimensions in Feet: Length 92 X Width 35
16. Stories: 2
17. Primary External Wall Material(s) (enter no more than two):  
Brick 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 Window
21. General Architectural Description:

Two-story rectangular brick commercial building with flat roof and projecting metal cornice with brackets, dentil molding, and pressed half-round floral ornaments. Façade is enframed by brick pilasters topped by corner brackets. Second story has four tall, narrow, segmental arched windows with gabled hood molds and smooth sills. Storefront area has wide, stuccoed signband reading "Hardware." Band of clerestory windows above storefronts. Slightly off-center entrance to second story is flanked by metal columns and has paneled and glazed door. Storefront at 139 F has center, angled, inset entrance with metal frame glazed door with transom, plate glass display

windows, wire-drawn brick below windows. Storefront at 141 F has off-center inset entrance with wood door with large rectangular light and plate glass display windows with brick kickplates. Rear one-story projection has segmental arched opening. Rear wall is stuccoed.

22. **Architectural Style/Building Type:** Late Victorian/Italianate

23. **Landscaping or Special Setting Features:**

N/A

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

None

#### IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. **Date of Construction:** Estimate Actual 1888

**Source of Information:** Salida Mail, 4 September 1888

26. **Architect:** Unknown

**Source of Information:**

27. **Builder/Contractor:** Unknown

**Source of Information:**

28. **Original Owner:** Egbert and Lena Wheeler

**Source of Information:** Salida Walking Tour

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

The footprint of this building has not changed. A historic photograph of the building shows that the storefronts had double doors and paneled kickplates and corner serpentine columns flanking the entrances.

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

#### HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

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

32. **Intermediate Use(s)** Commerce and Trade/Specialty Store  
Commerce and Trade/Business

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

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

35. **Historical Background:**

This building, originally known as the Wheeler Block, was built by Egbert and Lena Wheeler following the fire of January 1888. The 3 January 1888 "Salida Mail" reported that the fire had rapidly consumed the building owned by E.H. Wheeler: "E.H. Wheeler, hardware business in his own building on F Street. Loss \$8,000; insurance \$4,000." By 20 January it was reported that "E.H. Wheeler has nearly completed a corrugated iron building 25 X 60 ft. facing 2nd Street. He will use this room for business until he can build on his old site in the burnt district." On 4 September 1888 the new building was completed, at a cost of \$5,000. A grandson of the Wheelers, Bob Nevens, later reported that E.H. Wheeler died at an early age following an asthma attack, and Lena Wheeler then operated the hardware store on her own for several years.

By 1903-04 the firm of Paine & Paine Hardware was operating in this location (it is believed that Lena Wheeler sold the store to that firm). Edward M. Paine and Fred C. Paine sold hardware, plumbing supplies, and sporting goods. The other store was occupied by Crawford Millinery, operated by Mrs. Effie Crawford, in 1903-04. By 1905-06, this space contained Hall & Gorman Milliners (Mary A. Hall and Edith M. Gorman, proprietors). By 1914 the hardware shop (139) shared the first floor with an office (141). During much of the 1920s and 1930s Harry A. Clary, monuments, occupied 141 F and Paine & Paine Hardware was housed in 139 F. The store became Paine-Newcomb Hardware and later Newcomb Hardware. During 1947-1994 Jack Cady operated Cady's Hardware in the building. The upstairs became the residence of the Cady family. For many years until the mid-1980s, Herbert and Ola Powell operated a barbershop and beauty shop at 141 F. Today, the hardware space is utilized as part of Gambles and the former barber shop/beauty salon is a beauty salon known as Head Quarters.

**36. Sources of Information:**

Eleanor Fry, Salida: The Early Years (Salida: Arkansas Valley Publishing, 2001), 74 and 77; Chaffee County Assessor records; Salida City Directories; Sanborn Insurance Maps; Salida Walking Tours; Survey Form, 139 F St, 1981; Salida Mail, 3 January 1888 and 20 January 1888.

**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 development of downtown Salida following the fire of January 1888. Egbert and Lena Wheeler, who had their hardware business destroyed in the fire, built this building in the same year. The building has contained a hardware business since it was erected, and also housed a long-time barber and beauty shop. The building is one of the better preserved commercial blocks of the 1880s in Salida and is notable for its Italianate style architectural features, including the bracketed metal cornice and the tall, narrow windows with hood molds. The building retains its clerestory windows, original storefront configuration, and the columns flanking the entrance to the second story.

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

This building displays superior historic physical integrity. The storefronts have been somewhat altered by the replacement of original display windows and removal of columns flanking the entrances and paneled kickplates under the windows.

**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):** 12: 7, 15

**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

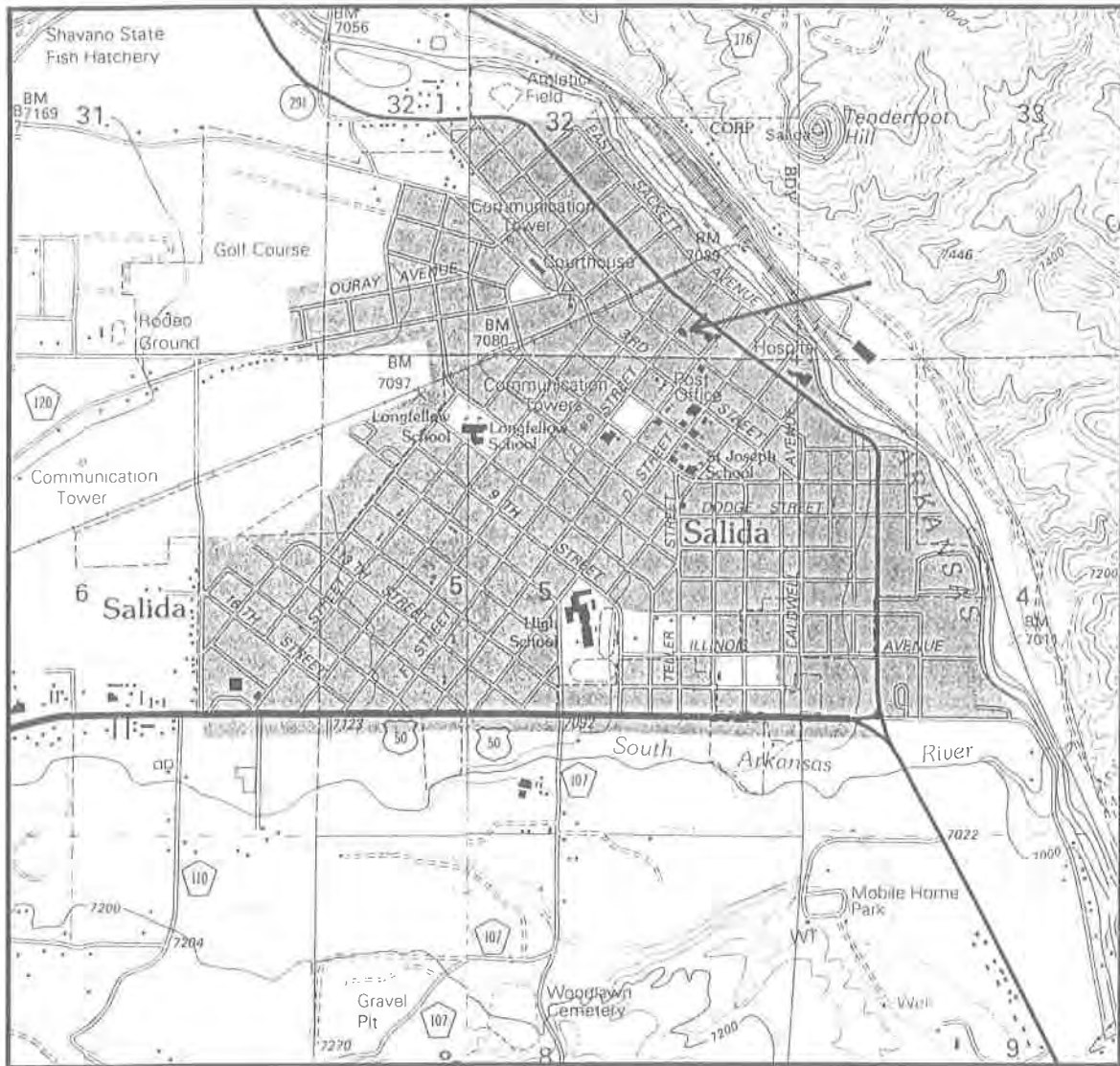


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**Downtown Salida Historic Buldings Survey  
USGS Location Map**

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