

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

Architectural Inventory Form

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I. IDENTIFICATION

1. **Resource Number:** 5CF2281 **Parcel Number:** 380705129066
 2. **Temporary Resource Number:** 86 **SHF/CLG Grant Number:** CO-06-017
 3. **County:** Chaffee
 4. **City:** Salida
 5. **Historic Building Name:** Shay House
 6. **Current Building Name:** Margos House
 7. **Building Address:** 303 E. Second Street
 8. **Owner Name and Address:** Margos, Nicholas Charles and Barbara Lee, 303 E. 2nd St., Salida, CO 81201

II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. **P.M.** N.M. **Township** 49N **Range** 9E
 SE 1/4 NE 1/4 NW 1/4 NE 1/4 **of Section** 5
 10. **UTM Reference Zone** 13 **Easting** 413714 **Northing** 4265306
 11. **USGS Quad Name:** Salida East, Colo. **Year:** 1983 **Map Scale:** 7.5'
 12. **Lot (s):** 12 and 13 **Block(s):** 29
Addition: Sackett's Addition **Year of Addition:** 1898-1904
 13. **Boundary Description and Justification:**
 Boundary includes the building and the parcel on which it is located.

III. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

14. **Building Plan (footprint, shape):** Irregular
 15. **Dimensions in Feet: Length** 47 **X Width** 41
 16. **Stories:** 1
 17. **Primary External Wall Material(s) (enter no more than two):**
 Brick
 18. **Roof Configuration (enter no more than one):**
 Other
 19. **Primary External Roof Material (enter no more than one):** Metal
 20. **Special Features (enter all that apply):**
 Porch, Fence, Chimney, Segmental Arch Window
 21. **General Architectural Description:**

One-story orange brick dwelling with mansard roof component, front gabled roof projecting bay at east end of façade (north), and cross-gable projecting to west. Roof has standing seam metal roofing, widely overhanging eaves, and two chimneys (metal at southwest corner and full-height brick with metal top on rear (south)). Front gable has eave returns, gable ornament, and segmental arch parlor window with brick hood mold of orange brick with orange mortar. Wrap-around porch on front and west with turned spindle supports, decorative brackets, spandrel ornaments and spindle balustrade has wood deck and concrete steps. Two entrances with transoms and paneled and glazed doors face porch; one has decorative screen. Tall, narrow multi-light window facing north onto porch and one facing west. West projecting gable has eave returns, a gable ornament, and a wide segmental arch window with hood mold

and multi-light window. South of this is projecting shed roof frame enclosed porch with wide lap siding and one window facing north and two facing west. Covered porch on south wall of projection. East wall displays a series of shortened window openings and one bricked in entrance. The windows have been replaced with short flat arch metal frame windows.

22. Architectural Style/Building Type: Late Victorian

23. Landscaping or Special Setting Features:

Grass front yard enclosed with historic wrought iron fence in front and with woven board fence at rear. River rock and plantings in parking lawn and on north. Lilies planted along porch. Flowers and evergreen bushes in yard. Aspen and fruit trees in backyard. Site is slightly above the grade of the sidewalk.

24. Associated Buildings, Features, or Objects:

One-story, flat roof with parapet outbuilding with stucco walls. South wall has segmental arch entrance with old wood screen and short segmental arch window. West wall has one segmental arch window. Vertical board fence makes it difficult to see north wall, which appears to have frame shed roof structure abutting or attached.

IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of Construction: Estimate 1898-1902 Actual

Source of Information: Sanborn Map, 1898 and Photograph 1902

26. Architect: Unknown

Source of Information:

27. Builder/Contractor: Unknown

Source of Information:

28. Original Owner: Wilmot & Mary Shay (?)

Source of Information: City Directory, 1903

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

This house was built between 1898 and 1902, based on the Sanborn fire insurance map for 1898 and a 1902 photograph of Salida taken from Tenderfoot Hill. The 1950 year of construction reported by the Assessor is not correct. The 1904 Sanborn map shows this building as an irregularly-shaped one-story dwelling with an L-shaped open porch at the northwest corner and a small open porch at the southwest corner. The house had the same footprints on 1904 through 1945 Sanborn maps. A one-story associated dwelling (addressed as 223 D Street) was built between 1898 and 1902 and is shown on 1904 through 1945 Sanborn maps. The maps and a 1937 photograph show an attached frame barn that is no longer present.

30. Original Location: Yes **Date of Moves:** N/A

V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

31. Original Use(s): Domestic/Single Dwelling

32. Intermediate Use(s): Domestic/Single Dwelling

33. Current Use(s): Domestic/Single Dwelling

34. Site Type(s): House, Single Family Dwelling

35. Historical Background:

In 1903 Wilmot Warren Shay, an engineer on the third division of the D&RG, and his wife Mary lived here. The Shays continued to occupy this home until at least 1931. Wilmot was born in Wisconsin in 1856. He moved to Salida as a young man and had entered the employ of the D&RG while it was building a line from Canon City, before it entered Salida. The Shays were married at Cotopaxi in 1880. Mary Haggerty Shay was born in England in 1867, the same year that she emigrated to the U.S.

By the 1910 census Mary's widowed mother, Mary Haggerty, was living with the Shays. Both of Mary Shay's parents were born in Ireland, emigrating to the U.S. with her in 1867. Mrs. Haggerty's husband, Daniel, a railroad man, had died in 1900. The Shays two children were also listed in 1910: Orah H. (b.1892) and James H. (b.1908) who were both born in Colorado. James still lived here in 1920, at which time he worked as a pharmacist at a drugstore.

Wilmot died in an automobile accident in 1922 at the age of 64. At the time of his death he was president of the Big Johnny Coal Mining company and had been an engineer for 41 years. It was also reported that he had operated a drugstore in Salida. His funeral was one of the largest ever held in Salida up to 1922.

In 1928 Mary Shay's mother, Mary Haggerty, died at the age of 98. She was Salida's oldest resident at that time. Mrs. Haggerty had grown up in London and settled with her husband in Cotopaxi in 1881. Of her seven children, her daughter Mary was the only one to survive her. In 1930 Mary Shay and her son James were living here together. James was still working at a drugstore. Mary Shay died in July 1953 in Seattle at the age of 86. She was buried at Fairview Cemetery.

The Shays had two boarders living with them throughout the years. In 1911-12, Clyde Frank Ames (b.1882), a watchmaker at W.C. Alexander lived with them. He was born in Michigan. In 1922, Charles E. Ellicott (b.1863), a machinist with D&RGW, resided at the home. Born in England, he came to the U.S. in 1898. His marital status was listed as widowed.

This address did not appear in the city directory for 1951. In 1965 this residence was owned by George and Annebelle Margos and their four children. Mr. Margos was a miner at Climax Molybdenum. Members of the Margos family still own the house.

36. Sources of Information:

Salida Mail, 13 July 1900, 3, 19 September 1922, 1, 26 September 1922, 1, 11 September 1928, 13 July 1953, 1 17 July 1953, 1; Salida city directory: 1903, 1906, 1911-12, 1922, 1931; U.S. Census: 1910, 1920, 1930; Sanborn Insurance Maps of Salida; Chaffee County Assessor records; Historic Photographs of Salida.

VI. SIGNIFICANCE

37. Local Landmark Designation: No

Date of Designation: N/A

Designating Authority: N/A

Local Landmark Eligibility: No

Local Landmark Criteria: 1 - Exemplary Property 3 - Architectural Signif. 5 - Archeological Imp.
 2 - Historic Signif. 4 - Noted Designer: 6 - Contributing Bldg.

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: N/A

40. Period of Significance: N/A

41. Level of Significance: N/A

42. Statement of Significance:

This house was associated for many yeas with the Shay family, Salida pioneers who were involved in railroading, mining, and a drugstore. The Margos family has owned the house for many years. This house, erected at the turn of the century, displays notable late Victorian architectural features, including a mansard and gabled roof, brick walls, segmental arch windows with hood molds, an elaborately ornamented porch, and two doors facing the porch.

43. Assessment of Historic Physical Integrity Related to Significance:

This house maintains historic physical integrity despite some alterations to the windows and an enclosed porch at the southwest corner.

VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

44. National Register Field Eligibility Assessment: Not eligible

45. Is there National Register district potential? Discuss. Yes

This resource was documented as part of a survey of a portion of northeast Salida lying between Downtown and the historic Denver & Rio Grande Railroad Hospital. A previous reconnaissance of this neighborhood of the city resulted in the recommendation that this area be intensively surveyed to determine whether a historic district might exist. The boundaries of such a district have not yet been identified since some areas included in the current survey might logically be associated with adjacent unsurveyed areas. A preliminary evaluation of whether this property would be a contributing resource, if found to be within the boundaries of a district, has been made to assist future studies.

If there is NRHP district potential, indicate contributing status: Contributing

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

VIII. RECORDING INFORMATION

47. Photographic Reference(s): 15: 8-13, 30-33

Negatives Filed At: City of Salida

Photographer: T.H. Simmons

48. Report Title: Salida, Colorado, Historic Buildings Survey, 2006-07

49. Date(s): June 2006

50. Recorder(s): R.L. Simmons/T.H. Simmons

51. Organization: Front Range Research Associates, Inc.

52. Address: 3635 W. 46th Ave., Denver, CO 80211

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.

**Colorado Historical Society-Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation
1300 Broadway, Denver, Colorado 80203 (303) 866-3395**



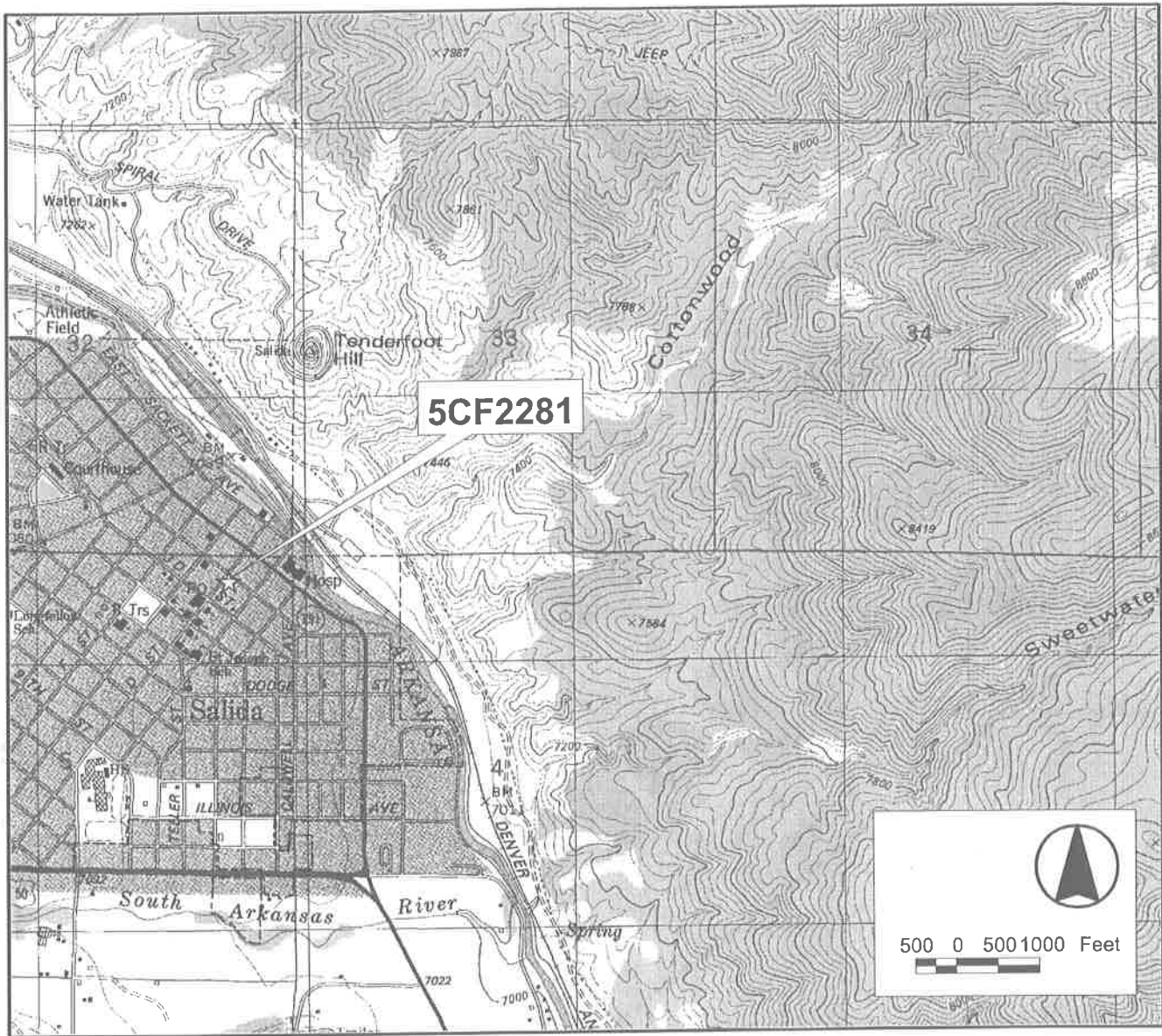
SOURCE: Building outlines from CAD file provided by City of Salida (and supplemented by fieldwork) and overlaid on parcels produced by Chaffee County. The resource described by this survey form is darkly shaded.



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LEGEND	
	Survey Area Boundary
	Surveyed-Primary Buildings
	Surveyed-Outbuildings
	Not Surveyed



SOURCE: Extract of U.S. Geological Survey, "Salida East, Colo.," 7.5 minute quadrangle map (Denver: U.S. Geological Survey, 1994).

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