

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

Architectural Inventory Form

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I. IDENTIFICATION

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| 1. Resource Number: 5CF2302 | Parcel Number: 380705125033 |
| 2. Temporary Resource Number: 66 | SHF/CLG Grant Number: CO-06-017 |
| 3. County: Chaffee | |
| 4. City: Salida | |
| 5. Historic Building Name: Johnson/Bly House | |
| 6. Current Building Name: Poehlman/Crehan House | |
| 7. Building Address: 444 E. Second Street | |
| 8. Owner Name and Address: Poehlman, Judy and Crehan, Kevin, 444 E. 2nd St., Salida, CO 81201 | |

II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. P.M. N.M. Township 49N Range 9E
SW 1/4 SE 1/4 NE 1/4 NE 1/4 of Section 5
10. UTM Reference Zone 13 Easting 413889 Northing 4265225
11. USGS Quad Name: Salida East, Colo. Year: 1983 Map Scale: 7.5'
2. Lot (s): 23 and 24 Block(s): 25
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 48 X Width 31
16. Stories: 1
17. Primary External Wall Material(s) (enter no more than two):
Brick
18. Roof Configuration (enter no more than one):
Gabled/Cross Gabled
19. Primary External Roof Material (enter no more than one): Asphalt/Composition
20. Special Features (enter all that apply):
Porch, Chimney, Segmental Arch Window, Fence
21. General Architectural Description:

One-story cross-gable roof brick dwelling with center brick chimney with metal pipe top, composition roofing, and overhanging eaves. Red brick walls and stone foundation. Façade (south) has projecting front gable on west end that has plain cornice boards and paired segmental arch double-hung sash windows with interlocking brick hood molds and share sill. Shed roof porch at east end of façade has wrought iron supports and railing and concrete deck. Two entrances face porch (one facing south and one east). Entrances have segmental arch transoms; east door is paneled and glazed, while south is newer). East wall has wide lap siding on gable face, paired double-hung sash windows as on front gable end, and one sliding window. There is a flat roof brick projection at the northeast corner that has a brick cornice and a segmental arch window with hood mold facing south. The west wall has a tall

segmental arch double-hung sash window with hood mold toward the front and a short sliding window toward the center. There is a brick hood mold above the sliding window (the rest of the original window is filled in).

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

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

Level site with concrete sidewalks. Vertical board and picket fences enclose backyard. Sapling in front yard. Flowers in parking lawn. Grass yard with flowers planted along exterior walls of house.

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

Large, rectangular, side gable roof concrete block garage on alley with two overhead garage doors.

IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. **Date of Construction:** Estimate 1888-95 Actual

Source of Information: Salida Photographs, 1888 and 1895

26. **Architect:** Unknown

Source of Information:

27. **Builder/Contractor:** Unknown

Source of Information:

28. **Original Owner:** Oscar L. Johnson (?)

Source of Information: City Directory, 1903-04

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

This house was built between 1888 and 1895, based on photographs of Salida taken from Tenderfoot Hill in those years. The 1950 current year built reported by the Assessor is erroneous, while the old Assessor appraisal card listed an 1890 year of construction, which could be correct. On the 1904 Sanborn fire insurance map (the first edition to cover this parcel) the house is depicted as a one-story irregularly-shaped dwelling with open porches at the southeast (front) and northeast (rear) corners. Between 1914 and 1929, a small projection was added to the east wall of the house toward the rear. The old Assessor appraisal card and attached 1937 photograph show a brick residence with a stone foundation and a wood shingle roof, a brick chimney with corbelled top, and an ornament on the gable.

The 1904 Sanborn map showed two outbuildings at the northwest and northeast corners of the parcel. Between 1914 and 1929, the northwest outbuilding was removed; a garage was added on the alley abutting the northeast outbuilding on the west, while a narrow outbuilding was constructed on the east. The old appraisal card noted that the property had a 18'X14' frame garage and a frame shed.

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:**

This house was built between 1888 and 1895. In 1903-04 prominent Salida citizen Oscar L. Johnson lived here. Oscar Johnson was born in 1855 in Sweden, and came to this country in 1882. He was a naturalized citizen by 1910. He was a highly skilled machinist for the railroad for many years after arriving in Salida. He then became an owner of Churcher & Johnson, a furniture store he operated with Frank B. Churcher. When Mr. Churcher died in 1918, Oscar retired. By 1905-06 Oscar Johnson had married Elizabeth Bly and she shared Elizabeth's house, which was just next door at 437 E. 2nd Street. This was Elizabeth's second marriage. Elizabeth had two children from her previous marriage, Jeanette and Theron Bly.

In 1905-06 Walter F. and Thomas Storey lived at this dwelling. Walter was a clerk with Crews-Beggs Mercantile

Company and Thomas was an engineer with D&RG. By the time of the 1911-12 city directory, Theron S. Bly, son of Elizabeth Bly Johnson and stepson of Oscar Johnson, lived at this house and worked as a bartender. Born in October 1876 in Troy, New York, he came to Salida at the age of 10. By 1922 he still lived here, with his wife, formerly Madge Patton (b.1888), who he married in May 1908 at Belle Plain, Iowa. Madge was born in August 1888 in Quarry, Iowa, but moved to Salida in 1908 upon marriage to Theron. They had a son, William Bly. Theron was working as a brakeman with the railroad by 1922. He worked as a guard at the State Reformatory for several years. Theron died in August 1947. Madge Bly died in June 1980 at the age of 91.

James O. and Olive E. Felton Lasswell owned this house by 1930. The two were married in 1894. They had a daughter, Lulu (b.1897), and a son, Irving H. (b.1905), both of whom were born in Colorado. Olive was born in Kansas in about 1872. Born in Springfield, Illinois in 1862, James Felton came to Salida in 1884 and lived there continuously until his death. He worked for the railroad for 36 years, retiring in 1936. He worked jobs as various as hostler, fireman, engineer and traveling engineer. In 1939 James died at the age of 77. His obituary described him as a longtime Salida resident and well-known railroad man. Olive died in June 1962 at the age of 90.

By 1951 Joe E. and Margaret Dietrich lived here. Joe was the owner of Dietrich Heating & Metal Works. The 1965 city directory listed the owners of the house as Ralph A. and Magdalen Post. The Posts were retired. An old Assessor appraisal card lists Carl McIlravy was a later owner.

36. Sources of Information:

Salida Mail: 9 February 1939, 1; 3 December 1945, 1; 11 August 1947, 1; Mountain Mail: 8 June 1962, 7; 3 June 1980, 3; Salida City Directories; Sanborn Insurance Maps; Chaffee County Assessor records; US Census records, 1900-1930.

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 historically with Oscar Johnson, an early Salida furniture dealer, and Theron Bly, Mr. Johnson's stepson, who worked for the railroad and as a guard at the State Reformatory. This late nineteenth century house retains many original architectural features, including brick walls and a stone foundation, segmental arch windows with brick hood molds, and two entrances facing the shed roof porch.

43. Assessment of Historic Physical Integrity Related to Significance:

This dwelling maintains historic physical integrity. Alterations include replacement of the original spindled porch supports and balustrade with wrought iron, the removal of the front gable ornament, replacement of the wood porch deck with concrete, alteration of a window on the west, and shortening the original corbelled brick chimney on the ridge.

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): 8: 16-21; 20: 25

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.

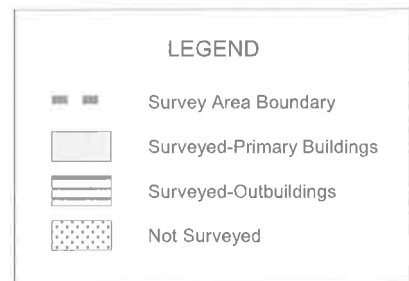
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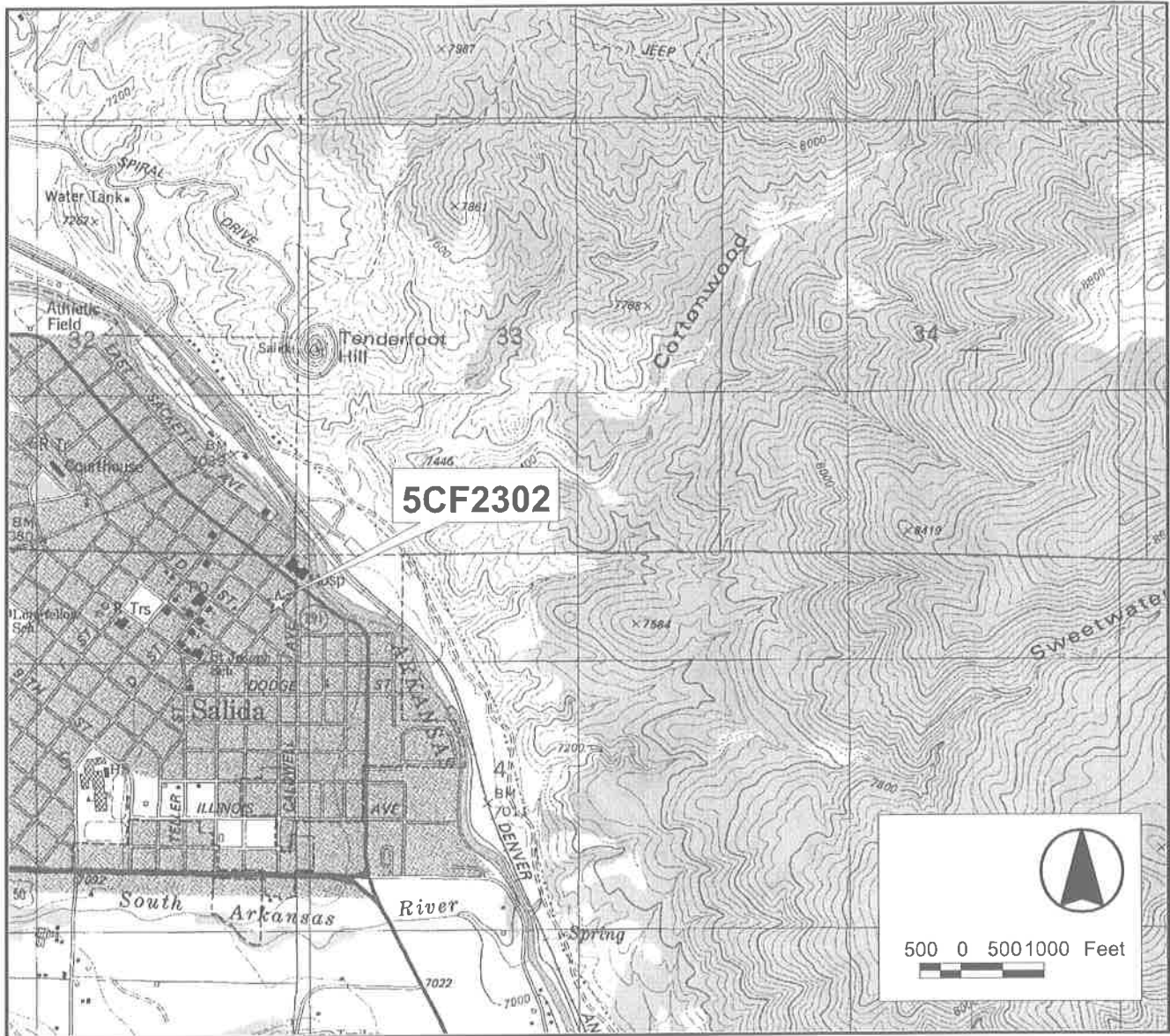


SOURCE: Building outlines from CAD file provided by City of Salida (and supplemented by fieldwork) and overlaid on parcels produced by Chaffee County. The resource described by this survey form is darkly shaded.



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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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