
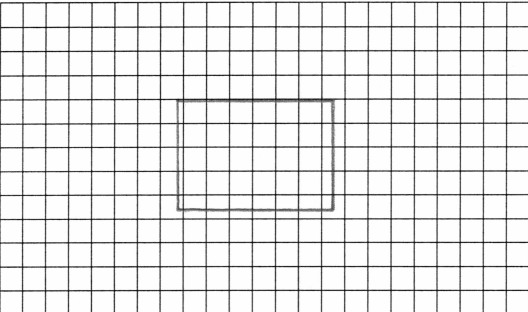


HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY RECORD

NOT FOR FIELD USE			
<input type="checkbox"/> Eligible	<input type="checkbox"/> Nominated	<input type="checkbox"/> Det. Not Eligible	<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Rehab.
Date _____			

PROJECT NAME: Littleton Historic Buildings Survey 1997 (#97-01-082)		COUNTY: Arapahoe	CITY: Littleton	STATE ID NO.: 5AH189
CURRENT BUILDING NAME:		OWNER: BITTS, ROBERT J & MARTHA V JT TEN		
ADDRESS: 5513 S PRINCE ST Littleton, CO 80120		5513 S PRINCE ST LITTLETON CO 80120		
HISTORIC NAME: Shellabarger/Langworth Res.		TOWNSHIP 5S RANGE 68W SECTION 17 NE 1/4 SE 1/4		
DISTRICT NAME:		U.S.G.S. QUAD NAME: Littleton, Colo. YEAR: 1965 (r. 1994) X 7.5' 15'		
FILM ROLL NO.: 97-11 BY: Roger Whitacre		NEGATIVE NO.: 16	LOCATION OF NEGATIVES: Littleton Hist. Mus.	DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: ESTIMATE: 1907 ACTUAL: SOURCE: Nippert, 1973.
		BLOCK: 6 LOT(S): 9 ADDITION: LITTLETON ORIG. TOWN YR. OF ADDITION: 1872		
		USE: PRESENT: Residence		
		HISTORIC: Residence		
		CONDITION: EXCELLENT X GOOD FAIR DETERIORATING		
STYLE: Edwardian Vernacular		STORIES: 1 1/2	EXTENT OF ALTERATIONS: X MINOR MODERATE MAJOR DESCRIBE: Balustrade gone.	
MATERIALS: Brick, Wood		SQ. FOOTAGE: 1278	DATE(S) OF MOVE: ORIGINAL SITE X MOVED	
ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: Rectangular, front gable roofed brick dwelling with overhanging eaves; composition roofing. Brick walls with sill courses; brick foundation; front gable face clad with variegated decorative shingles. Full-width, hipped roof porch supported by Doric columns atop wood floor. Off-center entrance with segmental arched transom and paneled and glazed door. Segmental arched, 1/1-light parlor window. Side windows are segmental arched, with radiating voussoirs; flat arched windows on upper stories; paired double-hung windows above porch cut through cornice line; small rectangular window at apex of gable face. Picket fence encloses front yard. Pfitzers and low brick wall border sidewalk.		NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY		
		INDIVIDUAL: YES X NO		
		CONTRIBUTING TO DISTRICT: YES NO		
ADDITIONAL PAGES: YES X NO		LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: No		
		NAME: DATE:		
		ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS? YES X NO TYPE:		
		IF INVENTORIED, LIST ID NOS.:		

PLAN SHAPE: 	ARCHITECT: Unknown	STATE ID NO.: 5AH189
	SOURCE:	ORIGINAL OWNER: William & Lydia Shellabarger
	BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Charles G. Louthan	SOURCE: Litt. Hist. Bldg. form, 8-1975
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CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (DESCRIPTION, NAMES, DATES, ETC., RELATING TO MAJOR ALTERATIONS TO ORIGINAL STRUCTURE):
 This house was earlier addressed as 285 N. Prince Ave.

CONTINUED YES X NO

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (DISCUSS IMPORTANT PERSONS AND EVENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS STRUCTURE):
 According to records of the Littleton Historical Museum, this was originally the home of William H. and Lydia Elizabeth Schellabarger and built by Charles G. Louthan in about 1906. Louthan, who later served as mayor of Littleton, built many homes in the town. Lydia E. Wales Shellabarger was born in Knox County, Illinois, in 1856. Her family moved to the San Luis Valley of Colorado. She married William H. Shellabarger in 1876 and lived in or near Littleton until her death in 1915. William Shellabarger (b. 1849) came to Colorado in 1871 and became a successful farmer and stockraiser. In 1906, the Shellabargers moved to Littleton to "enjoy the fruits of useful and prosperous lives." Mr. Shellabarger became an organizer and director of the First National Bank in Littleton and was its vice president and director when he died in 1915. The Shellabargers lived in this house from its construction in about 1907 until their deaths in 1915 in an automobile accident. They were killed with two other women when their car was hit by a train at Mexico Street in 1915. The 1932 city directory indicates that Charles Foster, a livestock dealer, lived here. In 1939, I.D. and Nannie Langworthy lived here. Mr. Langworthy was employed by Denver Mutual Water Works. Mrs. Langworth continued to live in the house through at least the early 1960s.

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SIGNIFICANCE (CHECK APPROPRIATE CATEGORIES AND BRIEFLY JUSTIFY BELOW):

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE: <input type="checkbox"/> REPRESENTS THE WORK OF A MASTER <input type="checkbox"/> POSSESSES HIGH ARTISTIC VALUES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPRESENTS A TYPE, PERIOD, OR METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION	HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT PERSONS <input type="checkbox"/> ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT EVENTS OR PATTERNS <input type="checkbox"/> CONTRIBUTES TO AN HISTORIC DISTRICT
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:
 This house is associated with William E. and Lydia E. Shellabarger, who built it in about 1906 and lived here until his death in 1915. Shellabarger was a prominent Littleton businessman and civic leader, who was a successful farmer, and was a founder and director of the First National Bank. The house is a well preserved example of the Edwardian Vernacular style, reflected in the gabled roof, brick walls and shingled gable face, and prominent porch with column supports.

CONTINUED YES X NO

REFERENCES (BE SPECIFIC):
 Arapahoe County Assessor records; Littleton Historical Museum files; Colorado Historical Society Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation files; Colorado Cultural Resource Survey Inventory form, July 1982; Littleton Historic Building Record form, August 1975; Stephen Nippert, "An Architectural and Historic Building Survey: Inventory and Evaluation, Littleton, Phase II, 1973, 58; Littleton Independent, 4 March 1976; City Directories, 1932 and 1939.

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SURVEYED BY: R.L. Simmons/T.H. Simmons	AFFILIATION: Front Range Research Associates, Inc.	DATE: October 1997
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