
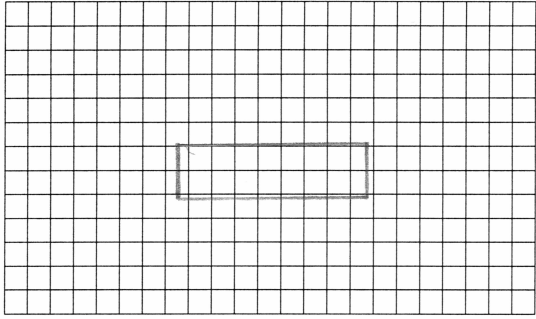


HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY RECORD

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| NOT FOR FIELD USE | | | |
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| PROJECT NAME: Littleton Historic Buildings Survey 1997 (#97-01-082) | | COUNTY: Arapahoe | CITY: Littleton | STATE ID NO.: 5AH1392 |
| CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Western United Corp. | | OWNER: STATTER, EDWARD F PO BOX 1274 ENGLEWOOD CO 80150 | | |
| ADDRESS: 5239 S RIO GRANDE ST Littleton, CO 80120 | | TOWNSHIP 5S RANGE 68W SECTION 16 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 | | |
| HISTORIC NAME: Leyner Engineering Works | | U.S.G.S. QUAD NAME: Littleton, Colo. YEAR: 1965 (r. 1994) X 7.5' 15' | | |
| DISTRICT NAME: | | BLOCK: N/A LOT(S): M&B ADDITION: N/A YR. OF ADDITION: N/A | | |
| FILM ROLL NO.: 97-16 BY: Roger Whitacre | NEGATIVE NO.: 32 | LOCATION OF NEGATIVES: Littleton Hist. Mus. | DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: ESTIMATE: ACTUAL: 1903 SOURCE: Litt. Indep., 7 Aug. 1903 | |
|  | | | USE: PRESENT: Office | |
| | | | HISTORIC: Office | |
| | | | CONDITION: EXCELLENT X GOOD FAIR DETERIORATING | |
| | | | EXTENT OF ALTERATIONS: MINOR X MODERATE MAJOR DESCRIBE: Painted brick; newer door and surround; wrought iron railings. Concrete block rear addition. | |
| STYLE: No Style (Vernacular Masonry) | | STORIES: 1 | ORIGINAL SITE X MOVED DATE(S) OF MOVE: | |
| MATERIALS: Brick, Concrete | | SQ. FOOTAGE: 16406 | NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY | |
| ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One-story rectangular brick industrial building with flat roof with flat parapets on front (east) and rear; molded cornice and string courses. Central segmental arched entrance with center paneled door and concrete stoop with wrought iron railings. Segmental arched 1/1-light double-hung sash windows with rock-faced stone sills; brick sill course. Pent roof on north. Concrete block rear addition with sliding windows. CONTINUED? YES X NO | | | INDIVIDUAL: YES X NO | |
| | | | CONTRIBUTING TO DISTRICT: YES NO | |
| | | | LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: No | |
| | | | NAME: DATE: | |
| ADDITIONAL PAGES: YES X NO | | | ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS? X YES NO TYPE: Industrial | |
| | | | IF INVENTORIED, LIST ID NOS.: | |

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| PLAN SHAPE:  | ARCHITECT: Unknown | STATE ID NO.: 5AH1392 |
| | SOURCE: | ORIGINAL OWNER: J. George Leyner |
| | BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Unknown | SOURCE: Sanborn Maps |
| | SOURCE: | THEME(S): Rail Era: Rail Town Physical Form, 1870-1920 |

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (DESCRIPTION, NAMES, DATES, ETC., RELATING TO MAJOR ALTERATIONS TO ORIGINAL STRUCTURE):
 The building to the south which connected this building to another early Leyner building was erected after 1949. The building was doubled in size with an addition on the west between 1914 and 1921.

CONTINUED YES X NO

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (DISCUSS IMPORTANT PERSONS AND EVENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS STRUCTURE):
 This building was erected in 1903 as part of the Leyner Engineering Works. The building appears on the 1908 Sanborn map, identified as the "office," part of the nine-building manufacturing complex. J. George Leyner was a Boulder County, Colorado, native who worked in engineering jobs in Black Hawk, Longmont, and Denver, before becoming sole owner of a machine shop in 1891. In the mid-1890s, Leyner began to develop a line of mining equipment, including rock drills and compressors. In 1902, Leyner incorporated as the J. George Leyner Engineering Works Co. and completed a \$150,000 plant at Littleton in 1903. The company was acquired by the Ingersoll-Rand Co. in 1912, which continued operating the plant until 1931. The building was expanded between 1914 and 1921, with a rear drafting room addition. The building was briefly used as an office in the early 1930s by Red Comet, Inc., a manufacturer of fire extinguishers. In 1935, the headquarters of the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC), a Depression-era public works program, occupied the complex. The building was purchased in 1945 by O.K. Co-Operative Rubber Welding System, who used the building as an office until 1977. The building is now occupied by the Western United Corp.

CONTINUED YES X NO

SIGNIFICANCE (CHECK APPROPRIATE CATEGORIES AND BRIEFLY JUSTIFY BELOW):

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE:

- REPRESENTS THE WORK OF A MASTER
- POSSESSES HIGH ARTISTIC VALUES
- REPRESENTS A TYPE, PERIOD, OR METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

- ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT PERSONS
- ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT EVENTS OR PATTERNS
- CONTRIBUTES TO AN HISTORIC DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

This building is associated with the industrial history of Littleton, having been erected in 1903 as part of the Leyner Engineering Works complex. The building, although somewhat altered, reflects vernacular masonry construction of the early twentieth century through its flat parapet, molded cornice, segmental arched windows with stone sills, and brick courses.

CONTINUED YES X NO

REFERENCES (BE SPECIFIC):

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps; Arapahoe County Assessor records; Littleton Independent, 26 Dec. 1902, 7 Aug. 1903, 19 May 1977, 11 Oct. 1935, 22 July 1938; Littleton Historical Museum files, Leyner Engineering and Electron.

CONTINUED YES X NO

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