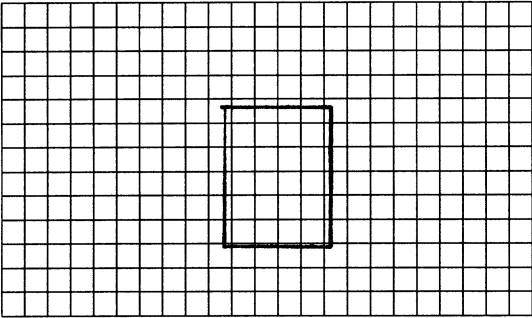




<b>PLAN SHAPE:</b> 	<b>ARCHITECT:</b> Unknown	<b>STATE ID NO.:</b> 5AH181
	<b>SOURCE:</b>	<b>ORIGINAL OWNER:</b> People's Congregational Church
	<b>BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:</b> J.J. Stuart	<b>SOURCE:</b> Littleton Independent, 8-6-1892
	<b>SOURCE:</b> Littleton Independent, 10-25-63	<b>THEME(S):</b> Rail Era: Rail Town Physical Form, 1870-1920

**CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (DESCRIPTION, NAMES, DATES, ETC., RELATING TO MAJOR ALTERATIONS TO ORIGINAL STRUCTURE):**  
 The 1908 Sanborn map indicates that the building, then a church, was one story, with a small porch. Between 1908 and 1914, the building was enlarged to one-and-a-half stories and it was shown in 1914 and 1921 as a dwelling. In 1932 and 1939, the building was indicated as vacant. In 1949, the building was indicated as apartments and had a full-width porch. In 1953, the building was listed in the city directory as owned by Carl A. Paulsen and subsequent directories through 1961 list is as Carl's Apartments (four units).

CONTINUED      YES      X      NO

**HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (DISCUSS IMPORTANT PERSONS AND EVENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS STRUCTURE):**  
 In May 1892, the Littleton Independent reported that "Mr. Henry Curtis, Sr., made a trade this week with Harry Knight for the corner lot on Melinda and Curtis Sts., and has given the Peoples Congregational church a clear title to it...It will enable the church to go right ahead and build and 'worship under their own vine and fig tree.'" The following month, the Independent noted that Curtis had been successful in collecting money for the church. On 6 August 1892, the newspaper reported that "the People's Congregational church was dedicated last Sunday." Reverend Dr. Fitch was the first pastor. The church was erected by J.J. Stuart. The first Board of Trustees thanked the citizens of Littleton for their donations toward the building fund and stated that "the People's Congregational Church [is] in union and communion with all evangelical churches, especially with the American Union of Congregationalism." The church moved from the building before 1914. The building was a dwelling by 1914 and was vacant by 1932 and continuing through 1939. By 1949, the building had been converted to apartments. The 1953 and later city directories through 1961 indicate that the building was the four-unit Carl's Apartments, owned by Carl A. Paulsen.

CONTINUED      YES      X      NO

**SIGNIFICANCE (CHECK APPROPRIATE CATEGORIES AND BRIEFLY JUSTIFY BELOW):**

<b>ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE:</b> <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	<b>HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT PERSONS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT EVENTS OR PATTERNS <input type="checkbox"/> CONTRIBUTES TO AN HISTORIC DISTRICT
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**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:**  
 This building is associated with the history of religious organizations in Littleton as it is the oldest remaining building originally erected as a church within the city, built as the People's Congregational Church in 1892. By 1914, the building had become a dwelling and had been enlarged and remodeled to its present appearance, which reflects popular elements of early twentieth century domestic architecture.

CONTINUED      YES      X      NO

**REFERENCES (BE SPECIFIC):**  
 Littleton Independent, 28 May 1892, 18 June 1892, 6 Aug. 1892; Littleton Historical Museum files; Arapahoe County Assessor records; Colorado Cultural Resource Inventory Record Form, 15 5AH181, 15 June 1982; Littleton Historic Building Record and Evaluation, 2575 W. Alamo, August 1972.

CONTINUED      YES      X      NO

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