
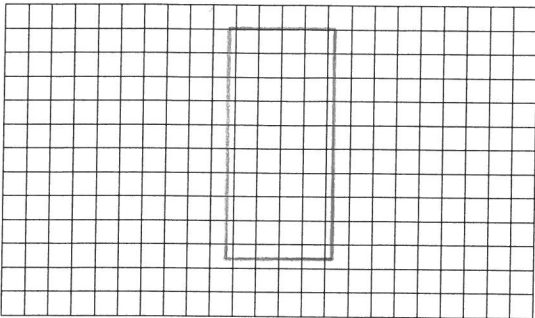


HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY RECORD

NOT FOR FIELD USE	
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Date _____	

PROJECT NAME: Littleton Historic Buildings Survey 1997 (#97-01-082)		COUNTY: Arapahoe	CITY: Littleton	STATE ID NO.: 5AH1300
CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Vantech (east part)		OWNER: VAN DELLEN, DENNIS W & DIANA M, JT TEN 2660 W MAIN ST LITTLETON CO 80120		
ADDRESS: 2650-70 W MAIN ST Littleton, CO 80120		TOWNSHIP 5S RANGE 68W SECTION 17 NE 1/4 SE 1/4		
HISTORIC NAME: Blue Ribbon Stables		U.S.G.S. QUAD NAME: Littleton, Colo. YEAR: 1965 (r. 1994) X 7.5' 15'		
DISTRICT NAME:		BLOCK: 2 LOT(S): 11-12, 13 P ADDITION: HILLS RESUB BK 2 YR. OF ADDITION: N/A		
FILM ROLL NO.: 97- 8 BY: Roger Whitacre	NEGATIVE NO.: 10	LOCATION OF NEGATIVES: Littleton Hist. Mus.	DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: ESTIMATE: 1907 ACTUAL: SOURCE: City dir., Sanborn map	
			USE: PRESENT: Commercial/Ofc. & Auto	
			HISTORIC: Stables	
			CONDITION: EXCELLENT X GOOD FAIR DETERIORATING	
			EXTENT OF ALTERATIONS: MINOR MODERATE X MAJOR DESCRIBE: Divided into different storefronts and uses; facades remodeled and covered with nonhistoric cladding.	
STYLE: No Style			STORIES: 1	ORIGINAL SITE X MOVED DATE(S) OF MOVE:
MATERIALS: Wood, Brick, Stucco			SQ. FOOTAGE: 4468	NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY
ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One-story, flat-roofed commercial building currently under two different ownerships. Eastern section divided into two storefronts; clad in wood paneling with vertical grooves to resemble single boards; large plate glass windows. East storefront has painted brick below windows; wooden door. Western storefront has recessed entrance with double, multi-light doors. The western section (which is under separate ownership) has stuccoed walls; plate glass windows (some with reflective coating); overhead garage door flanked by two glazed pedestrian doors; curved plastic awning across entire section.			INDIVIDUAL: YES X NO	
			CONTRIBUTING TO DISTRICT: YES NO	
			LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: No	
			NAME: DATE:	
CONTINUED? YES X NO			ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS? YES X NO TYPE:	
			IF INVENTORIED, LIST ID NOS.:	
ADDITIONAL PAGES: YES X NO				

PLAN SHAPE: 	ARCHITECT: Unknown SOURCE: BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Unknown SOURCE:	STATE ID NO.: 5AH1300 ORIGINAL OWNER: George Beach SOURCE: Waring, Hous's Littleton, ch. 5 THEME(S): Rail Era: Rail Town Physical Form, 1870-1920		
CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (DESCRIPTION, NAMES, DATES, ETC., RELATING TO MAJOR ALTERATIONS TO ORIGINAL STRUCTURE): Began as small rectangular brick portion on east; larger west sections added c. 1908-09; small concrete block addition on west added between 1932 and 1949.				
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HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (DISCUSS IMPORTANT PERSONS AND EVENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS STRUCTURE): A number of storefronts under different ownerships now occupy what was once a single historic building. The initial part of this building was erected between 1905 and 1908 as a small, rectangular commercial building. The 1908 Sanborn fire insurance map identifies this as a plumbing business. In about 1908-09, two larger masonry additions were erected adjoining the original building on the west, as well as two frame additions off the rear. An historic photograph shows the eastern section in use as a paint store (E. DeRobert, a Sherwin-Williams dealer), with the rest of the building used as the Blue Ribbon Stables, which was operated by George Beach. Fred A. Bemis and Ed F. Burden bought the business from Beach on 13 September 1909 and operated it as a livery, boarding, and sale stables. The Bemis and Burden livery was listed in a 1911 credit reference directory. On the 1914 Sanborn map the newer section was labeled a "livery" with the older eastern part used as a buggy house. The building (addressed as 339-53 W. Main St.) was used as a garage by 1921, with the rear addition to the east section gone and the rear addition on the west labeled an auto shed. In 1932, the building was occupied by the Littleton Tire and Battery Co. (O.L. Davis, prop.) and the County Garage and Community Chest Shop. By 1939, Johnnie's Second Hand Store (east part) and the Littleton Welding Shop (both operated by Johnny Pace) were located in the building along with a portion of Roth Motors (west part). Between 1932 and 1949, a small, narrow addition was added to the west front of the building. Later occupants have included: east part, Plains Sales (1953-55) and Gibby Glass (1961); middle part, Elliott's Tire Service (1953-55) and Littleton Tune Up Service (1959-65); and west part, Roth Motor Co. (1953), B&H Auto Service (1955), and Gipe and Jarrell Auto Body (1961-62).				
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: Alterations to this building have diminished its historic integrity.				
CONTINUED YES X NO				
REFERENCES (BE SPECIFIC): Arapahoe County Assessor, Real Estate Information; Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, 1900-49; Littleton City Directories, 1905, 1932, 1939, 1953-65; Littleton Historical Museum files, People and Places Index and Photographic Collection, #1897 and 1898; Houstoun Waring, Hous's Littleton (Littleton: Litt. Indep., 1981), Ch. 5.				
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SURVEYED BY: R.L. Simmons/T.H. Simmons	AFFILIATION: Front Range Research Associates, Inc.	DATE: October 1997		