
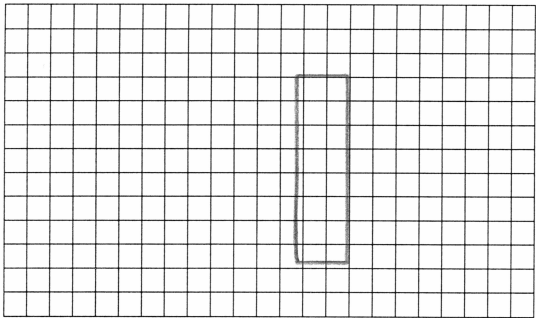


HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY RECORD

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.: 5AH1276
CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Veto's Shoe Repair/Marty's Barber Shop		OWNER: LAROCCO, STEPHEN E 4250 S GALAPAGO ST ENGLEWOOD CO 80110		
ADDRESS: 2449-55 W MAIN ST Littleton, CO 80120		TOWNSHIP 5S RANGE 68W SECTION 17 NE 1/4 SE 1/4		
HISTORIC NAME: Havener Millinery		U.S.G.S. QUAD NAME: Littleton, Colo. YEAR: 1965 (r. 1994) X 7.5' 15'		
DISTRICT NAME: Littleton Main Street		BLOCK: 7 LOT(S): 19-20 P ADDITION: LITTLETON ORIG. TOWN YR. OF ADDITION: 1872		
FILM ROLL NO.: 97- 7 BY: Roger Whitacre	NEGATIVE NO.: 6	LOCATION OF NEGATIVES: Littleton Hist. Mus.	DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: ESTIMATE: 1900s ACTUAL: SOURCE: Sanborn Map and City Dir.	
			USE: PRESENT: Commercial	
			HISTORIC: Commercial	
			CONDITION: EXCELLENT GOOD X FAIR DETERIORATING	
			EXTENT OF ALTERATIONS: MINOR MODERATE X MAJOR DESCRIBE: Total remodel; no historic fabric visible.	
STYLE: No Style			STORIES: 1	ORIGINAL SITE X MOVED DATE(S) OF MOVE:
MATERIALS: Brick			SQ. FOOTAGE: 1965	NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY
ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One-story, flat roof, rectangular commercial building divided into two storefronts. Storefront walls clad with stacked Roman brick. Larger store on west has inset entrance with glazed aluminum frame door with transom flanked by plate glass display windows. Wall adjacent to entrance on west is angled inward. East storefront has glazed metal frame door with screen and transom. Adjacent to door is single rectangular window. Above windows is continuous flat metal hood. Walls above hood are clad with corrugated siding; small vents above hood on east storefront.			INDIVIDUAL: YES X NO	
			CONTRIBUTING TO DISTRICT: YES X 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: <hr/> BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Unknown SOURCE:	STATE ID NO.: 5AH1276 ORIGINAL OWNER: Unknown SOURCE: <hr/> THEME(S): Rail Era: Rail Town Physical Form, 1870-1920
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CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (DESCRIPTION, NAMES, DATES, ETC., RELATING TO MAJOR ALTERATIONS TO ORIGINAL STRUCTURE):
 Sanborn maps indicate that the east storefront was erected first, appearing on the 1908 map. At that date, the building was L-shaped, with the rear projecting to the west. By 1921, the rear section held a bakery oven. Between 1921 and 1932, the second (west) storefront was added.

CONTINUED YES X NO

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (DISCUSS IMPORTANT PERSONS AND EVENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS STRUCTURE):
 This building does not appear on the 1900 Sanborn map. The address is listed in the 1905 city directory and associated with P & L Havener Millinery. The millinery was also shown on the 1908 and 1914 Sanborn maps. In 1921, the building is indicated as a bakery, with the rear section used for the bakery oven. Between 1921 and 1932, the second store was added and in 1932, the east storefront was the Littleton Quality Bakery, John M. Connett, proprietor, while the west storefront was the Cozy Lunch Room, Elizabeth Chenault, proprietor. By 1938, the building housed Hamilton's Dress Shop, Mrs. Howard Hamilton, proprietor, and A.A. Hentzell, Real Estate, Loans & Insurance. The 1949 map continues to show two stores in the building. In 1953, Gamble's and A.A. Hentzell Realty shared the building. In 1955, Gamble's was in the east store and the west was vacant. By 1959, Veto's Shoe Shop and Western Wear was listed in the east store and Hawk's Hobby was in the west. The hobby store and shoe shop were also listed in the 1961 city directory at this address. In 1965, Marty's Barber Shop was listed in the west store and Veto's in the east, the same businesses which are in the building today. Veto LaRocco was born in Partano, Sicily, in 1897 and died in Littleton in 1987. He came to the United States in 1905 and grew up in North Denver. He learned the cobbler trade at the Star Shoe Co. in Denver and had a shop in Denver in 1923-25. He opened his shoe repair business in Littleton in December 1929, buying the Child's Brothers shoe shop. He reportedly bought this building in 1938 but did not occupy it until the 1950s; in the interim, he operated his shop in a building immediately west of the town hall that he built in 1938. His son, Tony, joined the business in 1963.

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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 type="checkbox"/> REPRESENTS A TYPE, PERIOD, OR METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION	HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE: <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 commercial development of downtown Littleton, having been erected in the early 1900s and having housed a variety of businesses, including a millinery, a bakery, a dress shop, and, for many years, a barber and shoe repair shop. Alterations to the building have diminished its historic integrity.

CONTINUED YES X NO

REFERENCES (BE SPECIFIC):
 Arapahoe County Assessor records; Littleton City Directories, 1905 and 1932-1965; Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, 1893-1949; Littleton Historical Museum files, Biographical files, Veto LaRocco; Littleton Independent, 24 February 1977.

CONTINUED YES X NO

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