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HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY RECORD

	NOT FOR FIELD	USE
Eligible		_ Nominated
Det. Not	Eligible	_ Certified Rehab.
	Date	_

PROJECT NAME: Littleton Historic Buildings	COUNTY:	CITY:	STATE ID NO.: 5AH1284
Survey 1997 (#97-01-082)	Arapahoe	Littleton	TEMPORARY NO.: 2077-17-4-04-011
CURRENT BUILDING NAME: David Taylor Dance, Hannum Studios ADDRESS: 2529-39 W MAIN ST	OWNER: STEELE, JACK W & DONALD E UND 1/2 INT EACH 4770 S WADSWORTH BLVD LITTLETON CO 80123		
Littleton, CO 80120	TOWNSHIP 5S	RANGE 68W	SECTION 17 NE 1/4 SE 1/4
HISTORIC NAME: Lilley Building/Boddy Block	U.S.G.S. QUAD NAM		Colo. YEAR: 1965 (r. 1994) X 7.5' 15'
DISTRICT NAME: Littleton Main Street	BLOCK: 4 ADDITION: LILLEY		OT(S): 2-5 YR. OF ADDITION: N/A
FILM ROLL NO.: 97- 1A NEGATIVE NO.: BY: Roger Whitacre 10	LOCATION OF NEGAT	Mus.	DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: ESTIMATE: . ACTUAL: 1906
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			USE: PRESENT: Commercial
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DAVI DAVIOR DANCE THEATRE			CONDITION: EXCELLENT GOOD X FAIR DETERIORATING
	HANNA STLDOS	-	EXTENT OF ALTERATIONS: MINOR X MODERATE MAJOR DESCRIBE: Shingled mansard above first story; first story storefronts altered; painted brick; roof pier finials gone.
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			CONTINUED YES X NO
STYLE: Twentieth Century Commercial	ST 2		ORIGINAL SITE X MOVED DATE(S) OF MOVE:
MATERIALS: Brick, Stone, Wood, Tile	(V)	SQ. FOOTAGE: 1	NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY
ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: Two-story brick rectangular commercial building with flat roof; projecting metal cornice with brackets topped by parapet with arched ornaments; short piers			INDIVIDUAL: YES X NO CONTRIBUTING TO DISTRICT: X YES NO
project above roofline and are topped by wood capital.	ls. Painted brick	walls.	LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: No
Shingled mansard above first story. First story divi- western section of building has flush, glazed, metal	d by thin	NAME:	
transom. Architectural tile on pilaster adjacent to recessed entrance with glazed metal frame door with as		this is	ASSOCIATED BIII.DINGS2 VES V NO
Large metal frame plate glass windows with painted brick underneath. Second			ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS? YES X NO TYPE:
entrance with glazed door and plate glass windows on east. Course of molded brick above first story. Windows of upper story are 1/1-light double-hung sash			IF INVENTORIED, LIST ID NOS.:
with painted rock-face stone sills; continuous course	or brick between	sĭlls ^{NO}	

PLAN SHAPE:	ARCHITECT:	STATE ID NO.: 5AH1284
	Unknown SOURCE:	ORIGINAL OWNER: H.H. Lilley SOURCE: Littleton Independent, 7-22-38
	BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Unknown	
	SOURCE:	THEME(S): Rail Era: Rail Town Physical Form, 1870-1920

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (DESCRIPTION, NAMES, DATES, ETC., RELATING TO MAJOR ALTERATIONS TO ORIGINAL STRUCTURE):

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (DISCUSS IMPORTANT PERSONS AND EVENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS STRUCTURE):

CONTINUED YES X NO

This building was apparently erected in 1906 by H.H. Lilley, who owned a livery stable to the west. With the the First National Bank of Littleton he had erected a building to house the bank and a business rented out by Lilley; this building filled the gap between those adjacent buildings. Harry Hiller Lilley was born in 1867 and died in 1929. He married Kate Griffith (1862-1943). The building is shown on the 1908 Sanborn fire insurance map but does not appear on the 1900 edition nor in the 1905 Littleton city directory. Arapahoe County offices (the Clerk and Recorder, Assessor, and Treasurer) were housed in the building in 1907 before moving to the newly completed courthouse the following year. The 1908 map shows that the first floor of the building was divided into three storefronts: billiards in the west part; vacant in the middle; and a restaurant in the east part. In 1914, the east portion continued to house a restaurant, while the other two units were vacant. In 1920, W.F. Boddy purchased the building. The building remained divided into three storefronts in 1921, but, by 1932, one large store occupied the lower floor: the Littleton Mercantile Co., with W.E. Saar as president and G.J. Saar as secretary. In 1939, the building housed the Royal Cleaning and Dyeing Co. (Mrs. Ethel M. Palmer, prop.)

and Rice's Cash Grocery and Market (a Red and White outlet operated by Clyde A. Rice). Royal Cleaners continued to occupy the east storefront through the mid-1950s. The west unit contained Warfield's (1953), the Arapahoe Appliance Store (1955-63), and Lindy's Appliance Center (1965). By 1959, the Corvillo-Parker School of Ballet had moved into the east side of

CONTINUED YES X NO

SIGNIFICANCE (CHECK APPROPRIATE CATEGORIES AND BRIEFLY JUSTIFY BELOW):

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE:

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

REPRESENTS THE WORK OF A MASTER POSSESSES HIGH ARTISTIC VALUES

ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT PERSONS

X REPRESENTS A TYPE, PERIOD, OR METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

X ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT EVENTS OR PATTERNS

X CONTRIBUTES TO AN HISTORIC DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

the building.

This building is associated with the historic commercial development of downtown Littleton, having been erected in 1906 by H.H. Lilley and having historically housed such businesses as a billiards parlor, a restaurant, the Littleton Mercantile Company, and a grocery store. In addition, the building is associated with the governmental history of Arapahoe County, having housed the county offices before the courthouse was completed (1907-1908). The building reflects commercial construction of the early twentieth century in Littleton, as reflected in the ornamented cornice, the brick walls, and the double-hung sash windows with stone sills.

CONTINUED YES X NO

REFERENCES (BE SPECIFIC):

Arapahoe County Assessor records; Littleton City Directories, 1905 and 1932-1965; Littleton Historical Museum files, Photograph Collection, #24 and #3107; Pat Cooper, Research on 2529 Main St., September 1997; Littleton Independent, 14 July 1905, 20 Oct. 1905; 22 July 1938.

CONTINUED YES X NO

SURVEYED BY: R.L. Simmons/T.H. Simmons

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