

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCES INVENTORY

Historical and Architectural Reconnaissance

This form is intended for use in survey projects undertaken for preservation planning purposes and it is NOT to be used for Section 106 compliance projects. It provides a basic descriptive record of a single building, structure, object, or site. Please use the #1417b Ancillary form to document additional resources on a single site. This form may provide enough information to assess architectural significance and/or to identify other potential areas of historical significance. Full evaluations of historical significance require additional property-specific research beyond the scope of this form and typically require completion of the OAHP *Historical / Architectural Properties: Intensive Level / Evaluation* form (OAHP form # 1403). For guidance on completing this form and required accompanying documentation, please refer to the instructions, available online at <http://www.historycolorado.org/oaHP/survey-inventory-forms>

Official eligibility determination (OAHP use only)

Date: _____ Initials: _____

Determined Eligible – NR

Determined Eligible – SR

Needs Data

Eligible District - Contributing

IDENTIFICATION

1. Property Name: Calhoun Clothing Store Historic Current Other:
2. Resource Classification: Building Structure Object Sites/Landscape
3. Ownership: Federal State Local Non-profit Private Unknown

LOCATION

4. Street Address: 219 West Main Street
5. Municipality: New Castle, CO Vicinity:
6. County: Garfield
- **7. USGS Quad: New Castle, CO Year: 2022 7.5'
- **8. Parcel Number: 212331408010
- **9. Parcel Information: Lot(s): 14 Block: 3 Addition: ORIGINAL TWNSTE NEW CASTLE
- **10. Acreage: 0.04 Actual Estimated
11. PLSS information: Principal Meridian: 6th Township: 5S Range: 90W
NE ¼ of NW ¼ of NW ¼ of SE ¼ of section: 31
- **12. Location Coordinates:
 UTM reference: Zone 13 ;mE 282431 ;mN 4383025 NAD 1927 NAD 1983
 or
 Lat/Long: Latitude _____ ; Longitude _____ WGS84 Other:

****Please check with your project sponsor to determine which fields are required, as not all locational**

DESCRIPTION

13. Construction Features (forms, materials):

Stories	Style/Type	Foundation	Walls
One-story	Nineteenth Century Commercial	Stacked stone	Brick masonry; horizontal weatherboard along primary (north) elevation
Windows	Roof	Chimney	Porch
Rectangular picture windows; wood frames and sill	Flat roof; rolled asphalt; decorative cornice	N/A	N/A

Optional: additional description (plan/footprint, dimensions, character-defining and decorative elements of exterior and interior; alterations, additions, etc.):

The one-story, rectangular shaped building was constructed in 1892 as shown through review of Garfield County Assessor's Office records. The approximately 100' by 22' building is representative of a Nineteenth Century Commercial style of architecture. Architectural elements of the building include a stacked stone foundation; a flat roof clad in rolled asphalt; a brick masonry exterior envelope; horizontal weatherboard siding along the primary (north) elevation; and several decorative brackets under the cornice. Decorative piers can also be seen on the far-right and far-left side of the primary (north) elevation. The typical window consists of a wood framed, rectangular picture window with a wood sill. The main entryway is located in the center of the primary (north) elevation and is recessed into the storefront. The main entryway consists of a replacement wood door with a single lite and is flanked on both sides by angled walls with picture windows. Decorative wood paneling features can be seen below the window sills and the foundation of the façade. Signage within the typical windows of the façade state, "Black Bear Bar & Grille."

Sanborn Fire Insurance maps between 1899 and 1904 indicate that an addition was constructed along the south side of the building. By 1996, historic imagery and records indicate that the building was altered. The primary (north) elevation of the building incorporated a horizontal weatherboard façade with an alpine mural located under the cornice. Vertical weatherboard was also placed above and below window units. Between 1996 and 2008, historical street imagery demonstrates that the primary (north) elevation was altered to its current configuration.

14. Associated buildings, features, or objects: N/A

15. Landscape (important features of the immediate environment):

- Garden
- Mature Plantings
- Designed Landscape
- Walls
- Parking Lot
- Driveway
- Sidewalk
- Fence
- Seating
- Other:

HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS (based on visual observations and/or review of secondary sources):

16. Historic Function/Use: Commercial Current Function/Use (if different): Commercial/Residential (rear)

17. Date of Construction: 1892 Estimated Actual (include source): Garfield County Assessor's Office

18. Other Significant Dates, if any: Between 1996 and 2009, the property address was changed from 239 West Main Street to 219 West Main Street.

19. Associated NR Areas of Significance:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Planning & Dev't | <input type="checkbox"/> Health/Medicine | <input type="checkbox"/> Performing Arts | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Philosophy | |

20. Associated Historic Context(s), if known: The following history is a portion of the historic context quoted from the 1996 Historic Building Inventory Record by Front Range Research Associates, Inc.:

"According to John C. Ritter, this building was originally Calhoun's Clothing Store, operated by John A. MacRae... MacRae was a Canadian immigrant who became partners with J. W. Ritter in 1892 and ran a clothing and shoe store in this building. Ritter, a Pennsylvania native, had come to Colorado in 1880, where he engaged in railroad construction and delivered mail between Glenwood Springs and Rifle... The 1893-1904 Sanborn Insurance maps identify this building as a clothing store. Ritter and MacRae became partners, buying the clothing store, and in the 1910s, acquiring Kamm's store. The Ritter and MacRae store was described as 'a regular metropolitan one, while the stock they carry is equal to that carried by any similar store west of Denver.' Both Ritter and MacRae served as mayor of New Castle; Ritter was also a postmaster and a member of the school board. Following MacRae's death, Ritter continued to operate the store until his death in 1944 at the age of 85. The building later transitioned into a branch of the Three River Library system. The front part of the building is now utilized as a part of Schroeder's General Store and the back part is divided into two apartments."

21. Retains Integrity of: Location Setting Materials Design Workmanship Association Feeling

22. Notes: Before the establishment of New Castle, the area was frequented by the Ute Tribe who inhabited much of the mountain areas in western Colorado and eastern Utah throughout the summer seasons. However, the lure of wealth from natural resource extraction from several gold rushes and silver booms prompted many American settlers to explore the Rocky Mountains between the mid to late-Nineteenth Century. By 1881, the tribe had been removed from the area and relocated to the Uintah and Ouray Reservation in Utah. The Town of New Castle was incorporated several years later in 1888, shortly after Jasper Ward built the first homestead in the area in 1883. Coal mining quickly became a vital industry in the vicinity to supply fuel to silver smelters throughout the Rocky Mountain region. The town experienced several boom-and-bust cycles of the industry until the early to mid-Twentieth Century when coal mining came to a more permanent end. In the aftermath, agricultural operations including farming and ranching began to take hold throughout the mid to late-Twentieth Century due to the fertile soil in the area. Between the late-Twentieth- and early-Twenty-first Centuries, the town has experienced a sustainable growth in population.

The resource (5GF.2372) was initially evaluated in June 1996 by Front Range Research Associates, Inc. The resource was assessed Field – Not Eligible.

The Town of New Castle designated the resource as a local landmark.

23. Sources:

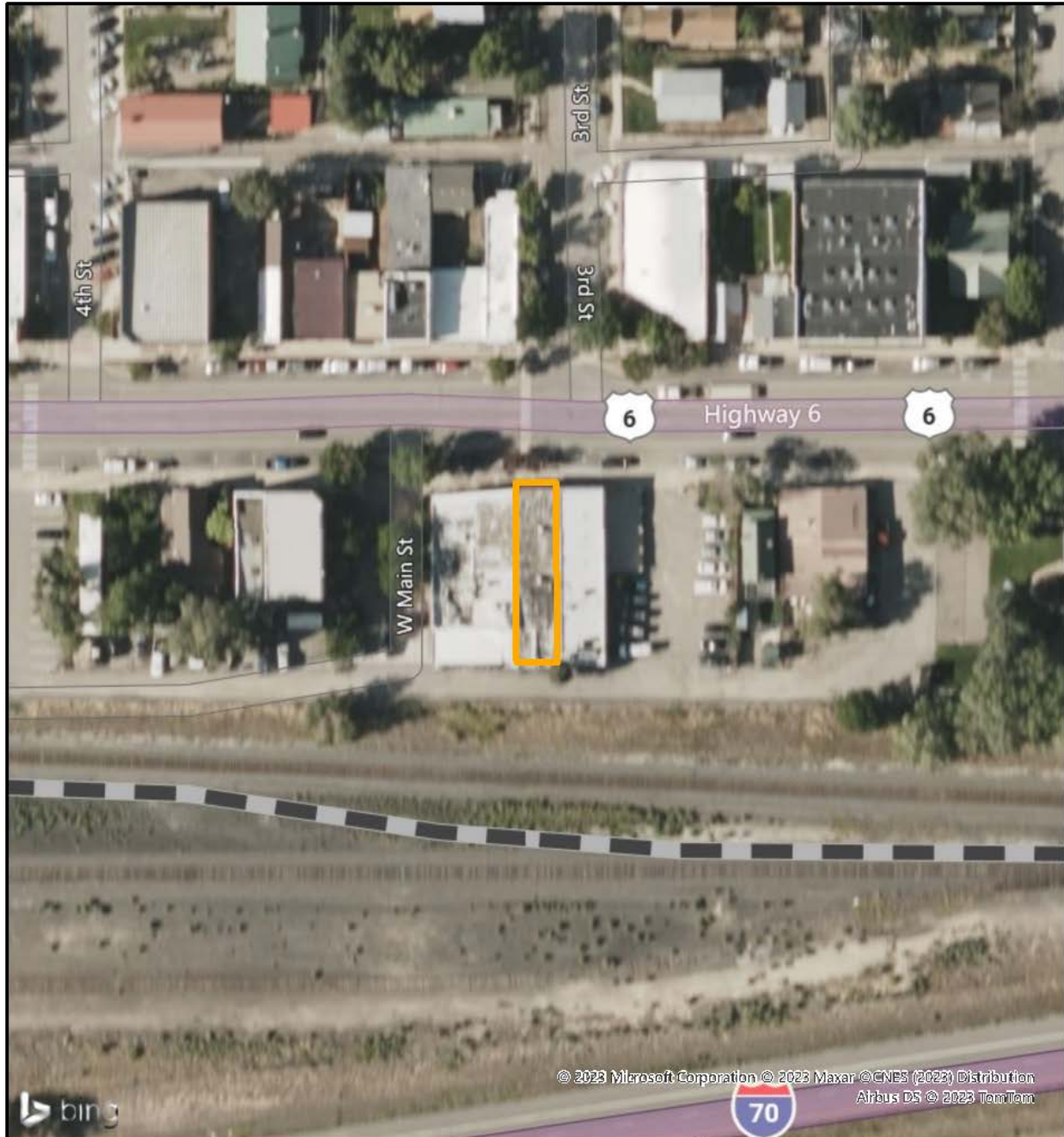
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SKETCH PLAN *include approximate scale*



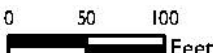


FIELD ELIGIBILITY RECOMMENDATION: (To be completed by surveyor)
<input type="checkbox"/> Determined Eligible – NR
<input type="checkbox"/> Determined Eligible – SR
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Eligible
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eligible District – Contributing
<input type="checkbox"/> Needs Data
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Landmark
RECORDING INFORMATION
Survey Date: <u>9/6/2023</u>
Surveyed By: <u>Cameron Weishoff</u>
Project Sponsor: <u>Town of New Castle</u>
Photograph Log: <u>5GF.2372_1 and 6 reference photos</u>

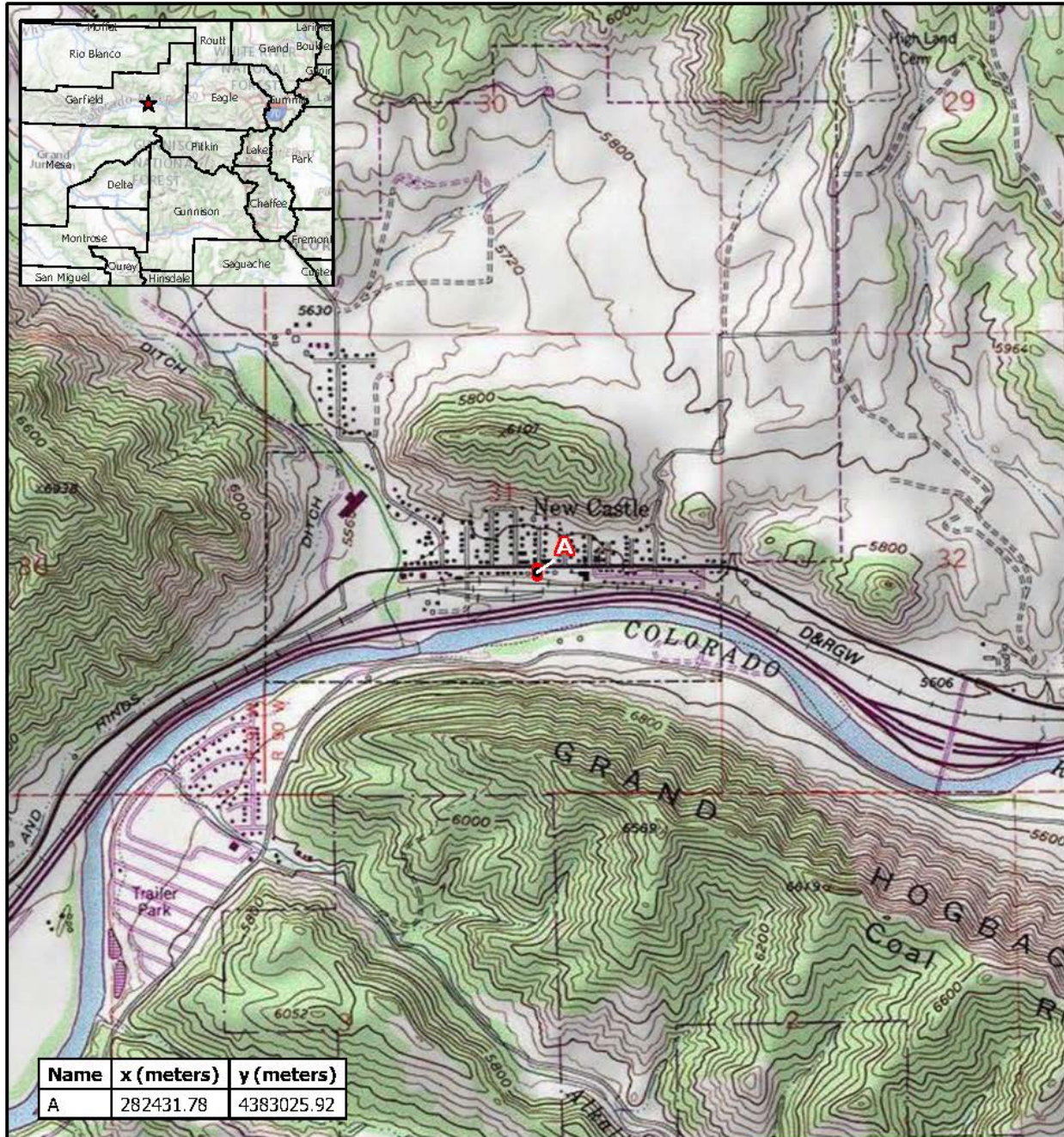
Sketch Map



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Topographic Map



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Legend

 Resource Boundary



0 1,000 2,000
Feet



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New Castle, Colorado
Garfield County

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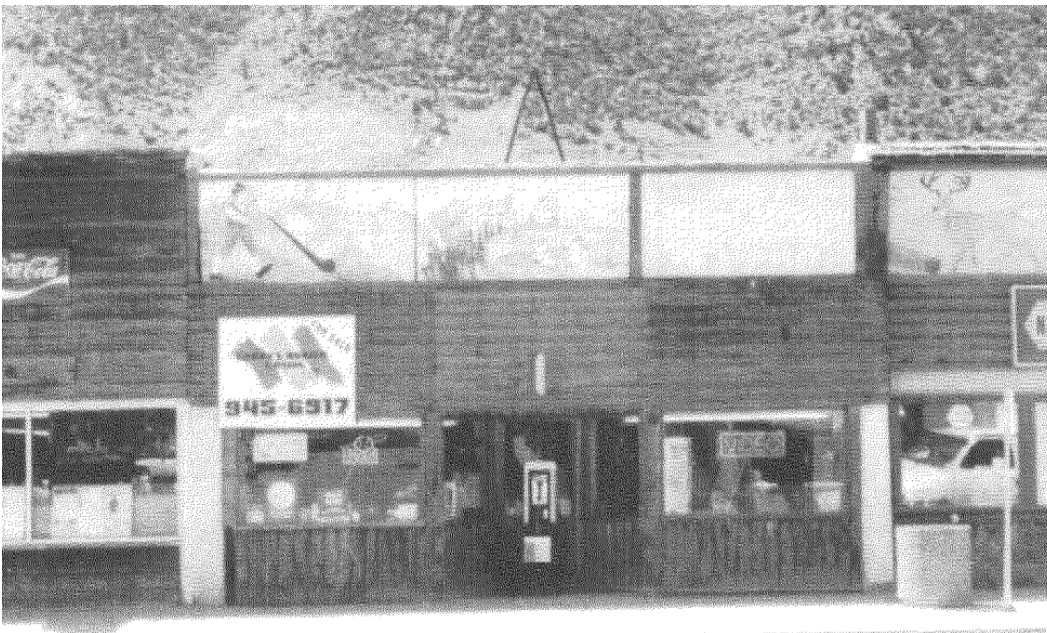
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Site Photographs



Photo Number: 5GF.2372_1
Description: Looking at the primary (north) elevation of the building.
Date: 9/6/2022
View: Southwest



Reference Photo 1
Description: Looking at the west and primary (north) elevations of the building.
Date: 1996
Source: 1996 OAHP Historic Building Inventory Record (5GF.2372)



Reference Photo 2

Description: Looking at the primary (north) elevation of the building.

Date: Circa 2009

Source: Garfield County Assessor's Office

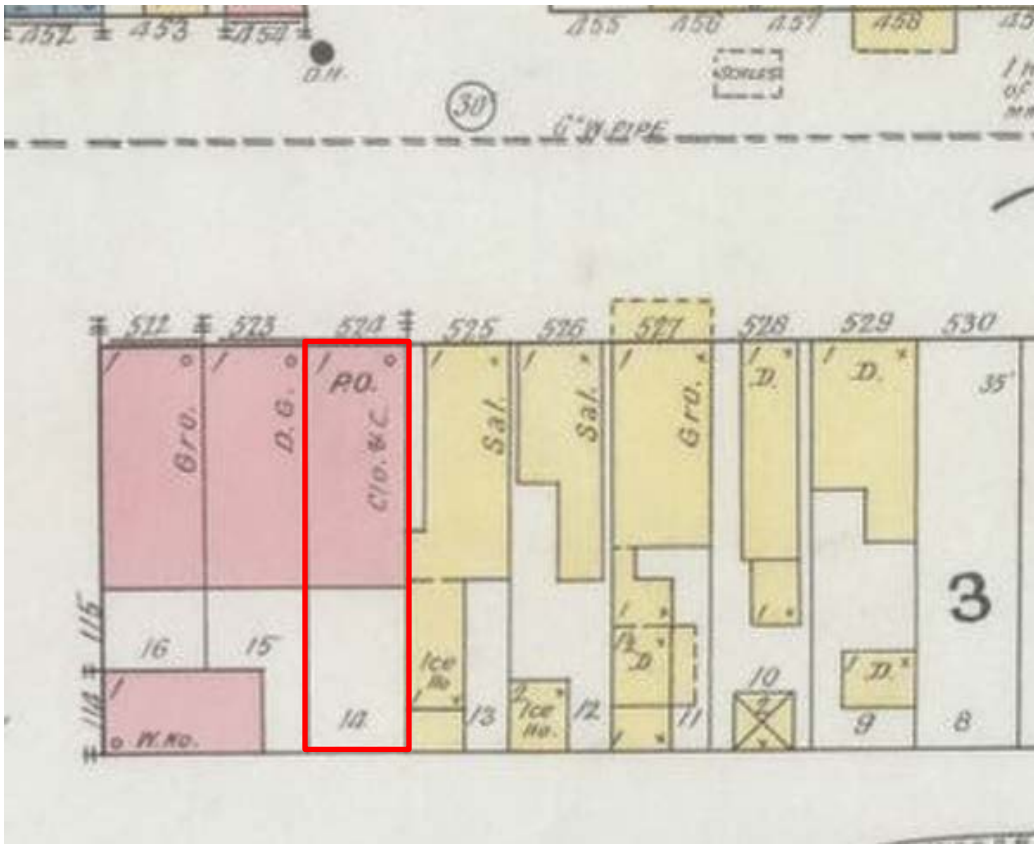


Reference Photo 3

Description: Looking at the primary (north) elevation of the building in the late Twentieth Century.

Date: Unknown

Source: New Castle Museum Collection

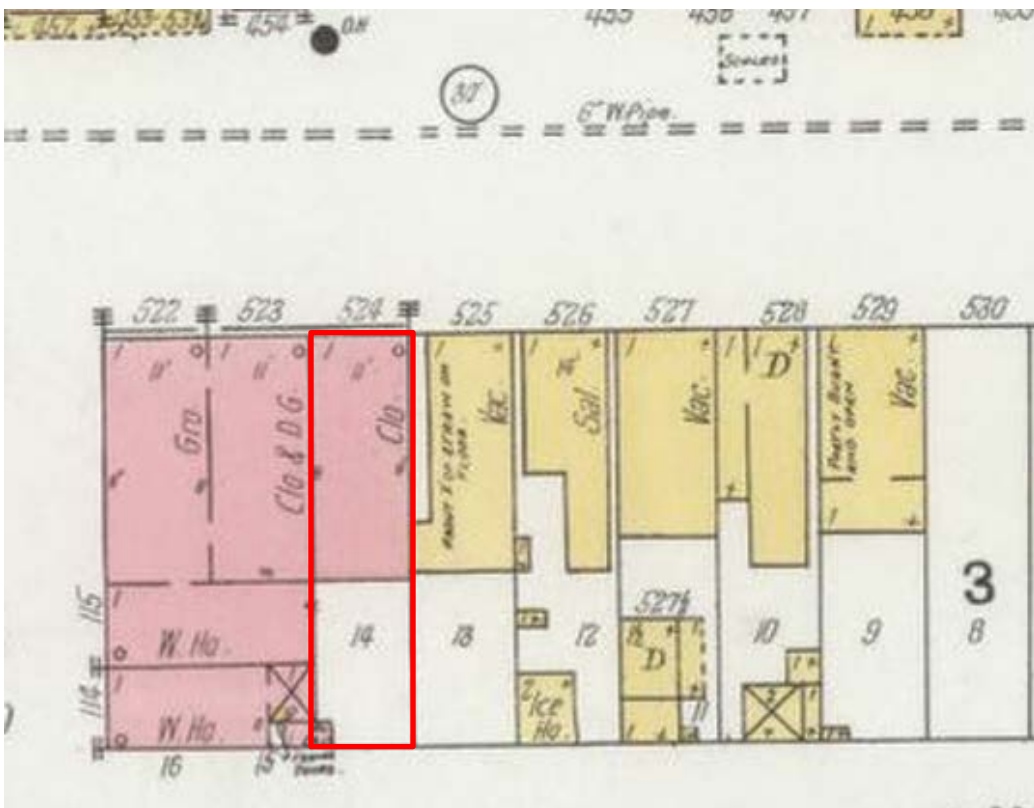


Reference Photo 4

Description: 1893 Sanborn Fire Insurance map of the resource located on lot 14 of block 3. The property is outlined in red.

Date: 1893

Source: Library of Congress

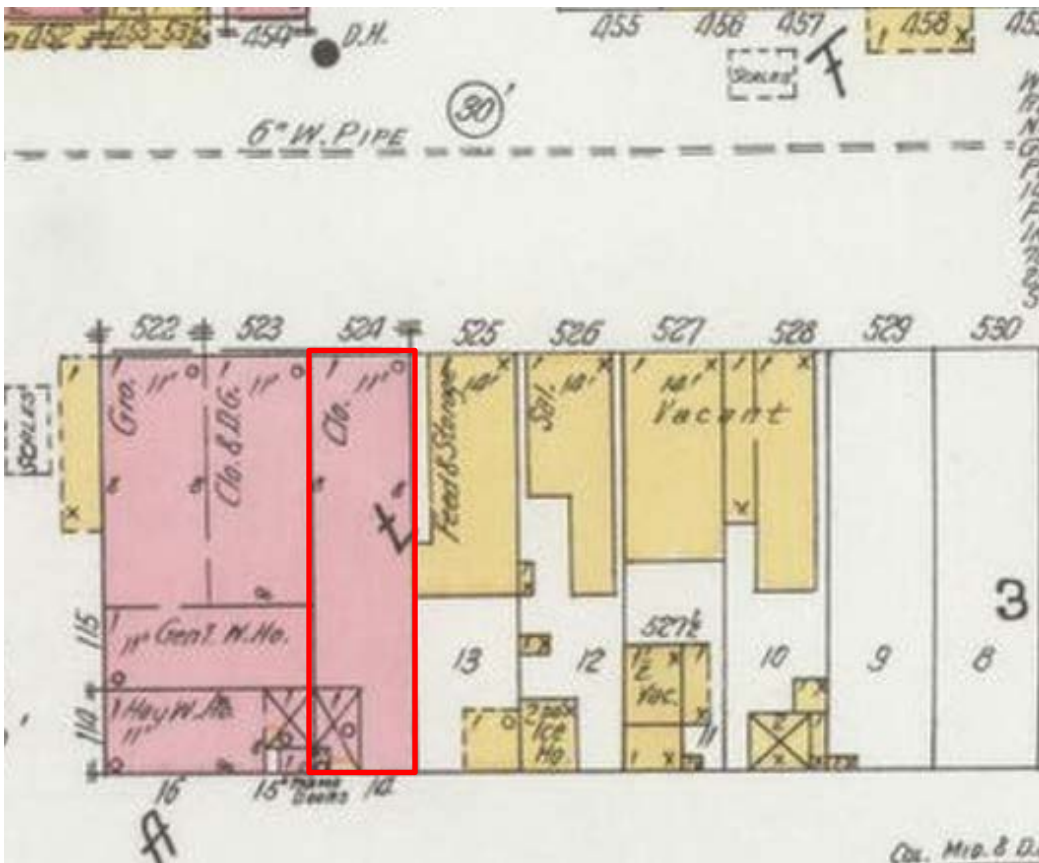


Reference Photo 5

Description: 1899 Sanborn Fire Insurance map of the resource located on lot 14 of block 3. The property is outlined in red.

Date: 1899

Source: Library of Congress



Reference Photo 6

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Date: 1904

Source: Library of Congress