HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY RECORD

PROJECT: Littleton Historic Resources Survey, 2000-01, SHF#2000-01-069

CURRENT BUILDING NAME:

ADDRESS: 5736 S BEMIS ST
LITTLETON, 80120

HISTORIC NAME:
Bechtel Residence

DISTRICT NAME:

OWNER: OHLER, DAVID C & PAULA M JT TEN

005736 S BEMIS ST
LITTLETON CO 80120-2009

TOWNSHIP: 5S
RANGE: 68W
SECTION: 16
SW 1/4 SW 1/4

USGS 7.5' QUAD. NAME: Littleton, Colo.

YEAR: 1965, r. 1994

BLOCK: N/A
LOT(S): 13p, 14
YEAR OF ADD.: 1891

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION:

ESTIMATE: 1908
ACTUAL: 1908
SOURCE: Arapahoe County Assessor

PRESENT USE:
Domestic/Single Dwelling

HISTORIC USE:
Domestic/Single Dwelling

CONDITION: Good

EXTENT OF ALTERATIONS: Minor

DESCRIBE: CONT. No
Transom covered up. Porch supports altered (?).

STYLE: Late Victorian

STORIES: 1 1/2

MATERIALS: Wood

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:
One-and-a-half-story frame dwelling with complex roof with hipped roof and intersecting gables; composition roofing and overhanging eaves. Walls clad with horizontal lap board siding with corner boards. Front gable face and north gable face clad with decorative shingles and have small windows. Off-center entrance with wood flush panel door has covered up transom. Large 1/1-light double-hung sash windows on either side of entrance. Paired 1/1-light windows with lintel trim on north. Half-hipped roof porch with small pediment above entrance has square supports with chamfered edges; concrete porch steps; wood porch floor. Stone retaining wall and large maple trees.

MOVED? No
DATE(S) OF MOVE:

NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY:

INDIVIDUAL? Not Eligible

CONTRIBUTING TO DISTRICT?

LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION?
No

NAME:

DATE:

ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS? No

TYPE:

IF INVENTORYED, LIST ID NOS.:

ATTACH PHOTOGRAPH HERE

ADDITIONAL PAGES? No
This house was originally addressed 158 S. Bemis. The 1932 city directory indicates that this was the home of Ben and Martha Bechtel. Mr. Bechtel was a contractor. In the 1948 and 1953 city directories, Clifford C. and Velma L. Stevens are listed at this address. Mr. Stevens was a sanitary supervisor at Heckethorn Manufacturing Co. In 1955 and 1957, Marjorie Aniscar was cited as the occupant of the house. Mrs. Aniscar (widow of Henry Aniscar) worked as a bookkeeper at the Denver Union Stockyards. In 1959 and 1961, Leo L. Cross was listed at this address. Mr. Cross, who worked as a night watchman at Coleman, lived here with his wife Elsie. In 1962, Lloyd M. Leeper lived here.

This house is representative of the dwellings erected in Littleton which display late Victorian era features, in this case including the complex roof, decorative shingles, pediment above the porch entrance, and chamfered porch supports. Other notable details include the double-hung sash windows and the transom above the entrance.

REFERENCES:
Arapahoe County Assessor records; Littleton City Directories, 1932-1962.