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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Old Livery Stable

AND/OR COMMON

Old Livery Stable

LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

217 West Missouri

__NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Fountain

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

3

__ VICINITY OF

STATE

Colorado

CODE

08

COUNTY

El Paso

CODE

041

CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- COMMERICAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER: none

OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

John Meury

STREET & NUMBER

617 South Corona

Telephone: (303) 733-7409

CITY, TOWN

Denver

STATE

Colorado 80209

__ VICINITY OF

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

El Paso County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

27 E. Vermijo

CITY, TOWN

Colorado Springs

STATE

Colorado 80901

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Colorado Inventory of Historic Sites

DATE

Ongoing

__FEDERAL STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Colorado Historical Society; 1300 Broadway

CITY, TOWN

Denver

STATE

Colorado 80203

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT DETERIORATED
 GOOD RUINS
 FAIR UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Located at 217 West Missouri in Fountain, Colorado, the Old Livery Stable is a single detached structure made of stone. The shape is nearly square, the dimensions being thirty-four by thirty-seven feet. The main or south facade has one bay, the east and west facades three bays, and the north or rear facade has one bay. The building is one and one-half stories in height and has a hipped roof topped by a cupola. There is also a large dormer set over the main entrance.

The secondary features of the structure reflect its vernacular origin and utilitarian purposes. Entry is gained through a large wooden door which extends from the ground to the roofline. Above the door lies the hipped dormer with double doors. The windows along the east and west sides have crude, radiating voussoirs and heavy lug-sills. The walls range from one to one and one-half feet in thickness.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1893

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Unknown

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Old Livery Stable is significant for its association with the early development of Fountain, Colorado, particularly the hotel trade there. Vernacular in its architecture, the building represents a type of utilitarian structure designed to serve a mode of transportation now largely obsolescent in a society dependent on motorized vehicles.

The Stable was built in 1893 as part of a small hotel complex in Fountain. For many years the structure housed the horses of the guests who remained overnight. But after a time, the rise of the automobile ended this use; and, with the hotel, the stable fell into disuse and decay. In the late 1940s the hotel sustained serious damage in a fire; and, although partially repaired and used for a rooming house, it was eventually torn down to make way for modern structures. All that remains today is the stable, a vestige of the life and commerce of an earlier day in Fountain.

Although vernacular in style, the architecture is of particular interest. The thick, heavy walls; the use of crude stones; the massiveness of the construction; and the integrated use of the dormer and cupola in a stable all reflect a time and a place where there was relatively little architectural knowledge, a time and a place where the builders drew on their rough experiences to build a utilitarian structure to serve the hotel trade. Today the Old Livery Stable stands as a landmark in downtown Fountain.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

County Tax Records, El Paso County, Colorado.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 0.344

QUADRANGLE NAME Fountain

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24000

UTM REFERENCES

A 13 525890 4281370

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ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Lots 6, 7, and 8 in Block 13 of Fountain
(Parcel # 56064-06-005 in Courthouse)

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Mrs. Jon Frost / Historian

ORGANIZATION

Fountain Valley Fine Arts Association

DATE

September, 1978

STREET & NUMBER

P.O. Box 698

TELEPHONE

(303) 382-5091

CITY OR TOWN

Fountain

STATE

Colorado 80817

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Arthur C. Juvenal

TITLE

State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

December 18, 1978

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST: *William Labouch*

CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

DATE

3/2/79

DATE

Feb 16, 1979