

Structure/Site Information Form

IDENTIFICATION

Street Address: 00161⁵ S REGENT ST

UTM: 12/424970/4512880
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Name of Structure: 165 Regent St./Felt Electric

Present Owner: ANDERSON*DEE*F* TR. ANDERSON INVESTMENT CORP.
777 E 2100 S

Owner Address: SALT LAKE CITY,
UTAH 84106

Year Built (Tax Record): Effective Age: Tax#: 01 2540

Legal Description: 01 Kind of Building: STORE

CCM 129 FT N FR SW COR LOT 2 BLK 70 PLAT A SLC SUR E 39.5 FTN 42.5 FT W 53 FT M
OR L TO REGENT ST SW*LY ALG SD ST 42.62 FT E 13.37 FT M OR L TO REG

STATUS/USE

Original Owner: Gustave S. Holmes Construction Date: 1893 Demolition Date:

Original Use: commercial Present Use: commercial

Building Condition: Integrity: Preliminary Evaluation: Final Register Status:

- Excellent Site Unaltered Significant Not of the National Landmark District
- Good Ruins Minor Alterations Contributory Historic Period National Register Multi-Resource
- Deteriorated Major Alterations Not Contributory State Register Thematic

Photography: Date of Slides: Slide No.: Date of Photographs: fall/
spring, 1978-1979 Photo No.:
Views: Front Side Rear Other Views: Front Side Rear Other

Research Sources:

- Abstract of Title Sanborn Maps Newspapers U of U Library
- Plat Records/Map City Directories Utah State Historical Society BYU Library
- Tax Card & Photo Biographical Encyclopedias Personal Interviews USU Library
- Building Permit Obituary Index LDS Church Archives SLC Library
- Sewer Permit County & City Histories LDS Genealogical Society Other

Bibliographical References (books, articles, records, interviews, old photographs and maps, etc.):

Salt Lake County Records.
Salt Lake City Sanborn maps.
Gustave S. Holmes, "Deseret News, July 3, 1935, p. 3.
L. Polk and Company, Salt Lake City directories, 1894-1925.
Deseret News, September 11, 1916, p. 5; September 23, 1916, p. 2; June 24,
1909, p. 2.
Salt Lake Tribune, March 31, 1903, p. 11.

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Site No:

Architect/Builder:

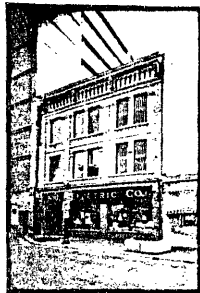
Building Materials: brick

Building Type/Style:

Description of physical appearance & significant architectural features:

(Include additions, alterations, ancillary structures, and landscaping if applicable)

A two-story brick commercial building with cast iron columns along a first floor, which has otherwise been remodeled. The upper story is of brick with stone lintels and a fancy metal cornice with foliated brackets. Of the three surviving stores on Regent Street, this one is the most intact and the most interesting architecturally, and it is of at least representative value.



Statement of Historical Significance:

Construction Date: 1893

This building is significant as one of three remaining buildings that once were houses of prostitution on the street that was Salt Lake City's red-light district from about 1880 until the late 1930s. As such, it is deeply woven into the fabric of the community and documents much about the social and political history of Salt Lake.

The building was constructed in 1893 for Gustave S. Holmes. A prominent Salt Lake City businessman, he owned the fashionable Knutsford Hotel, was a director of the National Bank of the Republic, had extensive mining interests, and in 1909 was reported to be the 5th or 6th largest taxpayer in Salt Lake County. From the time it was built until at least the late teens the upper floor of the building housed a brothel, while a legitimate business, the Leader Cigar factory occupied the ground floor.

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