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Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation
1300 Broadway Denver, Colorado

Historic Building Inventory Record

NOT FOR FIELD USE
<input type="checkbox"/> ELIGIBLE
<input type="checkbox"/> DET. NOT ELIG.
<input type="checkbox"/> NOMINATED
<input type="checkbox"/> CERTIFIED REHAB
DATE _____

project name Louisville Survey	county Boulder	city Louisville	state ID no. 5BL830.9 temporary no. LSV3
current building name Steinbaugh's Hardware	owner Glen Steinbaugh same address		
address 801 Main Street	tnsp 1S range 69W sec 8 , NW 1/4, SE 1/4		
historic name National Fuel Company Store	USGS quad name Louisville 65(79) yr. X 7.5' 15'		
district name N/A	blk. 5	lot(s) 13	addition yr. of addition Original Plat 1878
film roll by S.Mehls no. LSV-1	negative nos. 5,6,7	loc. of neg. CHS	date of construction 1905 estimate _____ actual source Present owners, historic photos
paste photograph here. use archival glue.			use Hardware Store _____ present General Merchandise _____ historic
			condition _____ excellent XX good _____ fair _____ deteriorating
			extent of alterations _____ minor XX moderate _____ major describe: brickwork on streetfront
			XX original _____ moved date(s) of move:
style Nineteenth Century False Front	stories 2	field assessment XX eligible _____ not eligible	
materials Wood Frame	sq. footage 4,600	district potential _____ yes XX no _____ contributing _____ non-contributing	
architectural description Is a large 2-story frame false front building, constructed as a coal company store. Has a corner location in heart of downtown. Is a massive building (4,600 sq. ft.) for Louisville and is the largest historic commercial building in town. Front facade has 3 small double windows at 2nd level bracketed cornice. False front extends above roofline of gabled end. Other primary facade (south wall) has 5 small double windows at 2nd level. Frame "awning" extends full width of south wall, sheltering 1st floor. (continued)			local landmark designation Louisville Landmark _____ name _____ date
additional pages <u>XX</u> yes _____ no			associated buildings? _____ yes type No if inventoried, list ID nos.

plan shape 	architect Unknown	original owner Charles F. Wolfer
	source	source Conarroe, <u>Louisville Story</u> ; Business File, Historic Collec. Louisville Public Library
	builder/contractor Unknown	theme(s) <u>Mountains-Coal Mining</u> ; <u>Urban-Rail Era, Mining</u>

construction history (descriptions, names, dates, etc. relating to major additions or alterations to original structure)

During post-World War II period, first floor altered, had sheathing of brick and new windows added. The awning on south side added soon after initial construction.

continued yes no

historical background (discuss important persons and events associated with this structure)

The building was built by Charles F. Wolfer to be the home of State Mercantile, a subsidiary of the National Fuel Company. That company operated the store until 1909 when Dolby & Carveth Bros. Grocery took over. Eventually it was sold to Steinbaugh's Hardware Company after their original building burned down in 1974. At present this is the remaining direct connection with a leading Louisville coal mining company.

continued yes no

significance (check appropriate categories and briefly justify below)

architectural significance: <input type="checkbox"/> represents the work of a master <input type="checkbox"/> possesses high artistic values <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> represents a type, period or method of construction	Area of significance	historical significance: <input type="checkbox"/> associated with significant persons <input type="checkbox"/> associated with sig. events <u>patterns</u> <input type="checkbox"/> contributes to an historic district <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commerce <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> industry
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statement of significance Level of significance: Local / Dates: 1900--

Erected as a company store for the National Fuel Company--one of the largest mining concerns in Louisville--it is the building most symbolic of Louisville's heritage as a coal mining town. It is also notable as an excellent example of a false front building as well as a company store.

For Louisville's downtown, it is a monumental building and easily the most important historic landmark of the community.

continued yes no

references (be specific)

Louisville Historic Business file, Louisville Public Library
 Sanborn Maps for Louisville, 1893, 1900, 1908, Western History Collection, University of Colorado
 Conarroe, Carolyn, The Louisville Story, Louisville: Louisville Times, 1982.

continued yes no

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National Fuel Company Store
Louisville, Colorado

Architectural Description (continued)

Significant surviving interior features include the mezzanine with original railing of turned spindles and staircase.

National Fuel Company Store, Louisville, CO

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:
