

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

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Colorado	
COUNTY: Denver	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER 69-1205-0001	DATE 12/3/69

1. NAME

COMMON:
Governor's (Executive) Mansion

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Cheesman-Boettcher Mansion

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
400 East 8th Avenue

CITY OR TOWN:
Denver

STATE Colorado	CODE 05	COUNTY: Denver	CODE 031
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3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
State of Colorado

STREET AND NUMBER:
Capitol

CITY OR TOWN:
Denver

STATE: Colorado	CODE 05
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5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Tax Assessor's office

STREET AND NUMBER:
City and County Building

CITY OR TOWN:
Denver

STATE: Colorado	CODE 05
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6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Junior League Survey of Historic Denver Sites

DATE OF SURVEY:
 Federal State County Local

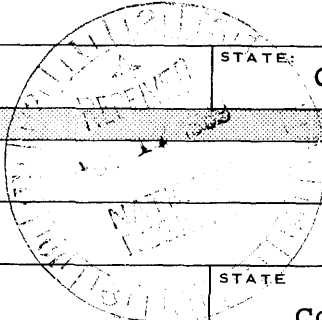
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
State Historical Society of Colorado

STREET AND NUMBER:
200 Fourteenth Avenue

CITY OR TOWN:
Denver

STATE: Colorado	CODE 05
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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Ruins Unexposed

(Check One)

Altered Unaltered

(Check One)

Moved Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Mansion, built in 1908, has 27 rooms and stands 2½ stories. The construction is of wood and brick. In addition to the large, well landscaped grounds which possess glass house nurseries; the Mansion's main attractions are its furnishings. Furniture from the Vatican, Gobelin tapestry from Russia, and a White House chandelier are among the historic pieces. Period furniture in the French Provincial, Louis ^{XIV}~~XVI~~, and Italian Renaissance style provide the decor for the interior rooms.

The exterior facade of the Mansion is done in the Colonial architectural style. The Mansion and its out buildings occupy approximately a little more than one acre of ground.

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SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- | | | | |
|---|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Built in 1908, the mansion has been the residence of three of Denver's prominent families. Since 1960, the Cheesman-Boettcher residence has been the official mansion of Colorado's Governor.

Walter S. Cheesman, founder of the Denver Union Depot Company, also the city's water works, began work on the site in 1904. He died before the mansion's completion. However, his wife and daughter completed the work in 1908.

Cheesman's daughter, Gladys, married John Evans, II, the son of the Governor and a noted banker. The couple lived in the mansion, possibly until 1926. At this time (1926) Claude Boettcher bought the residence. Claude was the son of the founder of the Great Western Sugar Company.

The Cheesmans, the Evanses, and the Boettchers are considered among Colorado's empire building families.

When Boettcher and his wife died, the house was given to the State of Colorado via the Boettcher Foundation. In 1960, Governor McNichols accepted for the State of Colorado the historic Boettcher mansion.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Denver Dwellings by Davis and Baldwin (1963) pp.42-3
Denver's Historic Mansions by E.E. Kohl (1957) pp. 247-63.
 "Colorado's Executive Mansion" pamphlet by State Historical Society of Colorado.

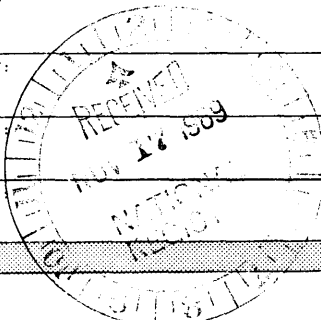
10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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NE	° ' "	° ' "				
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SW	° ' "	° ' "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **one (1)**

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE



11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: **Robert Fink**

ORGANIZATION: **State Historical Society of Colorado** DATE: **10/23/69**

STREET AND NUMBER: **200 Fourteenth Avenue**

CITY OR TOWN: **Denver** STATE: **Colorado** CODE: **05**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name: *Stephen H. Hart*
 Title: **President, Board of Directors
 State Historical Society**

Date: **November 5, 1969**

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Ernest Allen Cooney
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

DEC 2 1969

Date: _____

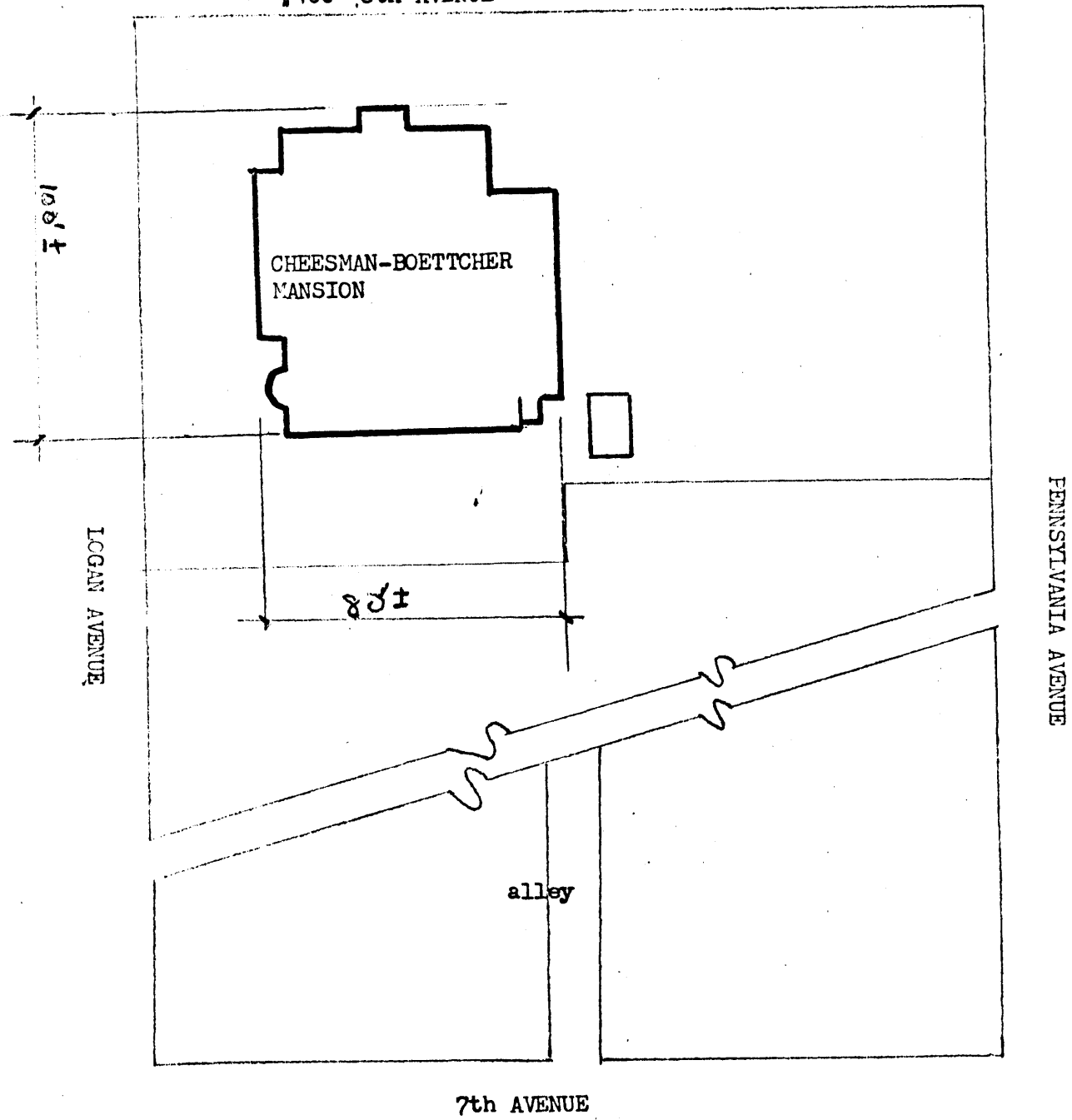
ATTEST:

William J. Houtz
 Keeper of The National Register

Date: **NOV 26 1969**

1950/600/400/400 SEE INSTRUCTIONS

#400 8th AVENUE



LOGAN AVENUE

PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE

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7th AVENUE

North



Scale: 1"=50'

Form 10-301
(July 1969)

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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

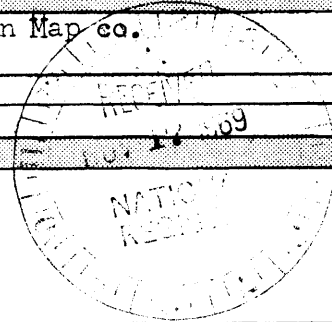
**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
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3. MAP REFERENCE			
SOURCE: Insurance Maps of Denver, Colorado by Sanborn Map Co. vol. 1			
SCALE: 1" = 50'			
DATE: 1929			
4. REQUIREMENTS			
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS			
1. Property boundaries where required.			
2. North arrow.			
3. Latitude and longitude reference.			



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Englewood, Colorado
1965

CHEESMAN-BOETTCHER MANSION

U.S.G.S. MAP 7.5 minute series
Englewood Quadrangle, Colorado 1965
Scale: 1:24000



U.S.G.S. Map
scale: 1:24000