

Architectural Inventory Form

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I. IDENTIFICATION

1. Resource number: **5BL8753**
2. Temporary number: **N/A**
3. County: **Boulder**
4. City: **Longmont**
5. Historic building name: **Donovan House / Irons House**
6. Current building name: **Antone House**
7. Building address: **510 Kimbark Street**
8. Owner name: **Kalliope K. Antone**
Owner address: **510 Kimbark Street**
Longmont, Colorado 80501

II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. P.M. **6th** Township **2N** Range **69W**
NE¹/₄ of **SW¹/₄** of **SW¹/₄** of **NE¹/₄** of section **3**
10. UTM reference
Zone **13**
Easting: **491460**
Northing: **4446190**
11. USGS quad name: **Longmont, Colorado**
Year: **1968** (Photorevised 1979) **7.5'**
12. Lot(s): **14, 15** Block: **41**
Addition: **Longmont Original Town** Year of Addition **1872**
13. Boundary Description and Justification: **This legally defined parcel encompasses but does not exceed the land historically associated with this property.**

22. Architectural style /
building type:

Late 19th and Early Twentieth Century Revivals / Classic Cottage

Official Eligibility Determination

(OAHP use only)

- Date _____ Initials _____
- Determined Eligible - National Register
- Determined Not Eligible - National Register
- Determined Eligible - State Register
- Determined Not Eligible - State Register
- Needs Data
- Contributes to eligible National Register District
- Noncontributing to eligible National Register District

III. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

14. Building plan (footprint, shape):
Rectangular Plan
15. Dimensions in feet **1176 square feet**
16. Number of stories: **1.5**
17. Primary external wall material
Brick
18. Roof configuration (enter one):
Hipped Roof
19. Primary external roof material (enter one):
Asphalt Roof / Composition Roof
20. Special features (enter all that apply):
Porch
Flared Eave
Chimneys
Segmental Arch

21. General Architectural Description

This house is located on the east side of Kimbark Street, between 506 Kimbark Street to the south and 514 Kimbark Street to the north. The building is surrounded by a planted grass yard, with mature landscaping. The house is set back approximately forty feet from the street, and there is a wide grass strip separating the front sidewalk from the curb. Oriented to the west, the residence rests on a coursed sandstone foundation, and features painted white brick walls, laid in running bond. The roof is hipped, with flared eaves, and with red asphalt shingles. Hipped-roof dormers, each with a single 1/1 double-hung sash window, are located on the west, south and east elevations. The house features a total of four exterior red brick chimneys –two are located on the north elevation, one is on the east elevation, and one is on the south elevation. A large single-hung sash window, with a transom light, and a painted red stone lugsill, and covered by a metal awning, is located on the west elevation (façade). Windows elsewhere are 1/1 double-hung sash, with painted white wood frames and surrounds. The windows also have painted black exterior wood screens and painted red stone lugsills. A painted white wood-paneled entry door, with one upper sash light and a segmental brick arch leader, and with a silver metal storm door, is located on the façade. The door opens onto a tongue-in-groove wood porch with fluted columns and engaged columns supporting a hipped porch roof with flared eaves. An original 12' by 6' enclosed shed-roofed rear porch is located on the house's east elevation.

A garage is located near the alley, east of the house. This is a hipped-roof structure measuring 22' N-S by 24' E-W, with a 12' by 20' addition on the north elevation. The garage is one-story tall, has a concrete foundation and floor, and painted white concrete block walls. The roof is covered with red asphalt shingles, and has exposed rafter ends, with a fascia board. Two 1/1 double-hung sash windows, with concrete sills, are located on the garage's west elevation. Two, painted white, wood-paneled overhead garage doors open onto the alley on the east elevation. Paired bi-fold doors also open onto the alley from the addition on the east elevation. A single, painted white wood-paneled door opens into the backyard on the west elevation.

22. Architectural style / building type:

Please see front page.

23. Landscape or setting special features:

This building is located on the east side of Kimbark Street, in one of Longmont's oldest core residential neighborhoods. The area, which was platted in 1872 as part of Longmont's original townsite, is now home to a mixture of single-family residences, small retail shops, professional offices, and a few small apartment buildings.

24. Associated buildings, features, or objects

n/a

IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of Construction:
Estimate
Actual **ca. 1898**

Source of information:
1895 and 1900 Sanborn maps; "Water Ledger City of Longmont, 1907-1910."

26. Architect:
unknown

Source of information:
n/a

27. Builder/ Contractor:
unknown

Source of information:
n/a

28. Original owner:
T.T. Donovan (probably)

Source of information:
"Water Ledger City of Longmont 1907-1910."

29. Construction History (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions):

Boulder County assessor records list 1910 as this house's year of construction. Sanborn insurance maps and City of Longmont water records, however, provide evidence that the house was in existence by 1900. There have been no additions, or notable exterior alteration, subsequent to the house's original construction. Sanborn maps for 1900, 1906, 1911 and 1918 depict a small outbuilding on the alley where the garage is now located. The 1930 Sanborn map depicts a building footprint matching the current garage (without the addition). The garage, thus, was apparently built between 1918 and 1930.

30. Original location: **Yes**
Moved
Date of move(s) **n/a**

V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

31. Original use(s): **Domestic / Single Dwelling**
32. Intermediate use(s): **Domestic / Single Dwelling**
33. Current use(s): **Domestic / Single Dwelling**
34. Site type(s): **Residence**

35. Historical Background

Boulder County Assessor records list 1910 as this house's year of construction. Sanborn insurance maps and City of Longmont water records, however, provide evidence that the house was in existence by 1900. The original owner was likely Timothy T. Donovan, the son of Dennis C. and Clara Donovan, owners of the Donovan Lumber Company. Timothy began his career with the family business in the early 1890s, serving as a clerk in the company by 1892. By 1906, the Longmont city directory list's T.T. Donovan as the lumber company's vice-president and his address as 610 Kimbark Street. Also living at the Kimbark home in 1906 were Margaret and Edmund Donovan, possibly T.T.'s children.

Although Donovan owned this house until the late 1940s, by 1916, he had moved to a different Longmont home. The Kimbark property was occupied by a succession of renters, only one of whom stayed for any length of time. This occupant was Frank E. Irons, who resided here between the early 1930s and circa 1948. Frank Irons was the manager of the Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company in Longmont. Born in Freeport, Illinois, on July 15, 1885, Frank moved to Longmont as a young man. He married Gertrude Brush Wilder in July 1928, when he was 43 and she was 39. She passed away just five years later at the age of 44. Mr. Irons began his telephone career in Longmont in 1905, as a messenger for the telephone company's commercial department. In August 1920, he became manager of the company, a position he held until his retirement in 1950.

In the late 1940s, T.T. Donovan sold this house to Dr. Willard J. White and his daughter Inez. (After living in this house for nearly twenty years, Frank Irons moved next door to 506 Kimbark Street, where he remained until his death in 1960.) Dr. White was born in Vermont in 1892, the son of Nehemiah and Inez Ling White. Raised in Galesburg, Illinois, Dr. White received his medical degree from Baines Medical College in St. Louis, in 1896. He moved to Longmont in 1900, where he became a noted practitioner and college lecturer. In June 1902, Dr. White married Bertha McKinney. The couple had a daughter, whom they name Inez Katherine. Bertha White died January 22, 1922. In 1950, shortly before Dr. White retired at the age of 78, he was honored as the "Dean of Longmont's Physicians." During his career, he had delivered more than 3400 babies, equal to one-third of Longmont's population in 1950. Dr. White passed away in January 1958, just a few months shy of his 86th birthday.

In the late 1950s, the house at 510 Kimbark was sold to Winnie C. and A.A. Mason, then in the 1960s, it was sold to James C. and Kalliope Antone. A native of Greece, James Antone was born November 26, 1892 in Crete. He emigrated to the United States in 1913, spending several years in Denver before moving to Longmont in 1924. For many years he worked as a coal miner in the Puritan Mine southeast of town. He met and married his wife Kalliope Tsiakos, in 1951. Also a native of Greece, Kalliope came to the United States nearly fifty years ago. James Antone died in August 1974, at the age of 81, leaving behind this wife and two children, James C. and Helen. Today, in 2001, Kalliope Antone still lives in the family home at 510 Kimbark Street.

36. Sources of Information

Antone, Kalliope. Oral interview with Carl McWilliams, February 20, 2001.

(Boulder County) "Real Estate Appraisal Card – Urban Master." On file at the Boulder Carnegie Library.

"Frank E. Irons, 74, Former Telephone Company Head, Dies Tuesday." *Longmont Times-Call*, July 13, 1960, p. 1.

"James Antone." (obituary) *Longmont Times-Call*, August 2, 1974, p. 1.

Polk's Boulder County Directory [generally published annually], Denver, Kansas City, and Salt Lake City: R.L. Polk and Company Publishers.

Polk's Longmont City Directory, [generally published annually], Denver, Kansas City, and Salt Lake City: R.L. Polk and Company, Publishers, 1966 - 1997.

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, dated December 1890, September 1895, November 1900, April 1906, June 1911, March 1918, June 1930, and May 1956.

"Sudden Death of Mrs. Irons Brings Grief." *Longmont Ledger*, January 24, 1933, p. 5.

They Came to Stay: Longmont, Colorado, 1858-1920, Longmont: St. Vrain Valley Historical Association, 1971. (reference Donovan family,

pp. 68-79)

“Water Ledger City of Longmont, 1907-1910.” On file at the Longmont Archives, Longmont Public Library.

VI. SIGNIFICANCE

37. Local landmark designation:

Yes

No

Date of Designation: **n/a**

38. **Applicable National Register Criteria**

A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history;

B. Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;

C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction;

D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield information important in history or prehistory;

Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G (see Manual).

Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria.

City of Longmont Standards for Designation

2.56.040-A (1) The structure or district has character, interest or value, as part of the development, heritage or cultural characteristics of the city, state or nation.

2.56.040-A (2) The structure or district is the site of a historic event with an effect upon society.

2.56.040-A (3) The structure or district is identified with a person or group of persons who had some influence on society.

2.56.040-A (4) The structure or district exemplifies the cultural, political, economic, social or historic heritage of the community.

2.56.040-B (1) The structure or district portrays the environment of a group of people in an era of history characterized by a distinctive architectural style.

2.56.040-B (2) The structure or district embodies those distinguishing characteristics of an architectural type specimen.

2.56.040-B (3) The structure or district is the work of an architect or master builder whose individual work has influenced the development of Longmont.

2.56.040-C (1) The structure or district, because of being part of or related to a square, park or other distinctive area, should be developed or preserved according to a plan based on a historic, cultural or architectural motif.

2.56.040-C (2) The structure or district, due to its unique location or singular physical characteristics, represents an established and familiar visual feature of a neighborhood, community or the city.

Does not meet any of the above City of Longmont Standards for Designation.

39. Area(s) of Significance:

Architecture; Community Planning and Development; Ethnic Heritage / European

40. Period of Significance: **ca. 1898-1951**

41. Level of Significance:

National:

State:

Local: **XX**

42. Statement of Significance

This house is historically significant for its association with residential development in Longmont, beginning in the late 1800s and extending through the first half of the twentieth century. The property is additionally significant for its association with at least two individuals who made significant contributions to Longmont's history. These were T.T. Donovan, who was associated with the Donovan Lumber Company in Longmont and Dr. Willard J. White. Dr. White is credited with the delivery of over 3400 babies during his long career in Longmont, and in 1950, shortly before his retirement, he was honored as the "Dean of Longmont Physicians." Mr. Frank Irons, who as manager of the Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company in Longmont for many years, was another important individual who was associated with this property. Architecturally, the house is significant as a wholly intact excellent example of the Classic Cottage style of architecture. The garage dates from the period of significance, and should be considered a contributing resource. This property, thus, is individually eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, and individually eligible to be designated as a local landmark. The property would also be a contributing property within either a National Register historic district, or a City of Longmont designated historic district.

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance:

This residence displays an exceptionally high degree of historical integrity, relative to the seven aspects of integrity defined by the National Park Service and the Colorado Historical Society – location, setting, design, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. There have been no additions, or notable exterior alterations to the original building.

VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

44. National Register eligibility field assessment:

Eligible: **XX**

Not Eligible:

Need Data:

City of Longmont Local Landmark eligibility field assessment:

Eligible: **XX**

Not Eligible:

Need Data:

45. Is there National Register district potential?

Yes: **XX**

No:

Discuss: **The property is located one block west of the East Side Historic District, which is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Properties in this area along Kimbark Street do have the potential form a historic district of their own, or to be incorporated into the existing East Side Historic District.**

If there is National Register district potential, is this building:

Contributing: **XX**

Noncontributing:

46. If the building is in an existing National Register district, is it:

Contributing: **n/a**

Noncontributing: **n/a**

VIII. RECORDING INFORMATION

47. Photograph numbers:

Roll: **LONG-1; LONG-2**

Frame(s): **25; 1-5**

Negatives filed at: **City of Longmont
Department of Community Development, Planning Division
Civic Center Complex
350 Kimbark Street
Longmont, Colorado 80501**

48. Report title: **East Side Neighborhood: Historic Context and Survey Report**

49. Date: **March 6, 2001**

50. Recordors: **Carl McWilliams and Karen McWilliams**

51. Organization: **Cultural Resource Historians**

52. Address: **1607 Dogwood Court
Fort Collins, Colorado 80525**

53. Phone number: **970/493-5270**