1207 Pennsylvania

STATE CITY, TOWN Denver VICINITY OF Colorado

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

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Denver Colorado

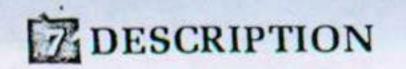
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Colorado Inventory of Historic Sites (16/04/0058)

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MAPP Denver Colorado 80203



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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Located at 1207 Pennsylvania Street in Denver, the Keating House is primarily a single, detached structure two and one-half stories in height and rectangular in shape with a second rectangular single-story wing to the rear. The building is entirely constructed of local rough-dressed sandstone laid in courses alternately wide and narrow. The front, or eastern facade has two bays on the first floor: a tripartite window and a deeply recessed entrance sheltered by a curving porch that radiates from a narrow tower on the northeast corner. Above the porch is a balcony extending from a loggia which creates an asymmetrical composition with the gable above. Alongside are two windows which continue the line of the window below. Capping it all are four narrow, arched windows emphasizing the massive parapeted gable end which rises above the slate roof. On the south side is a circular bay capped by a loggia under a conical roof.

Despite a variety of uses, the interior of Keating House retains many of the original features. A variety of woods is used for the doors and trim. The main staircase, of oak, is well preserved.

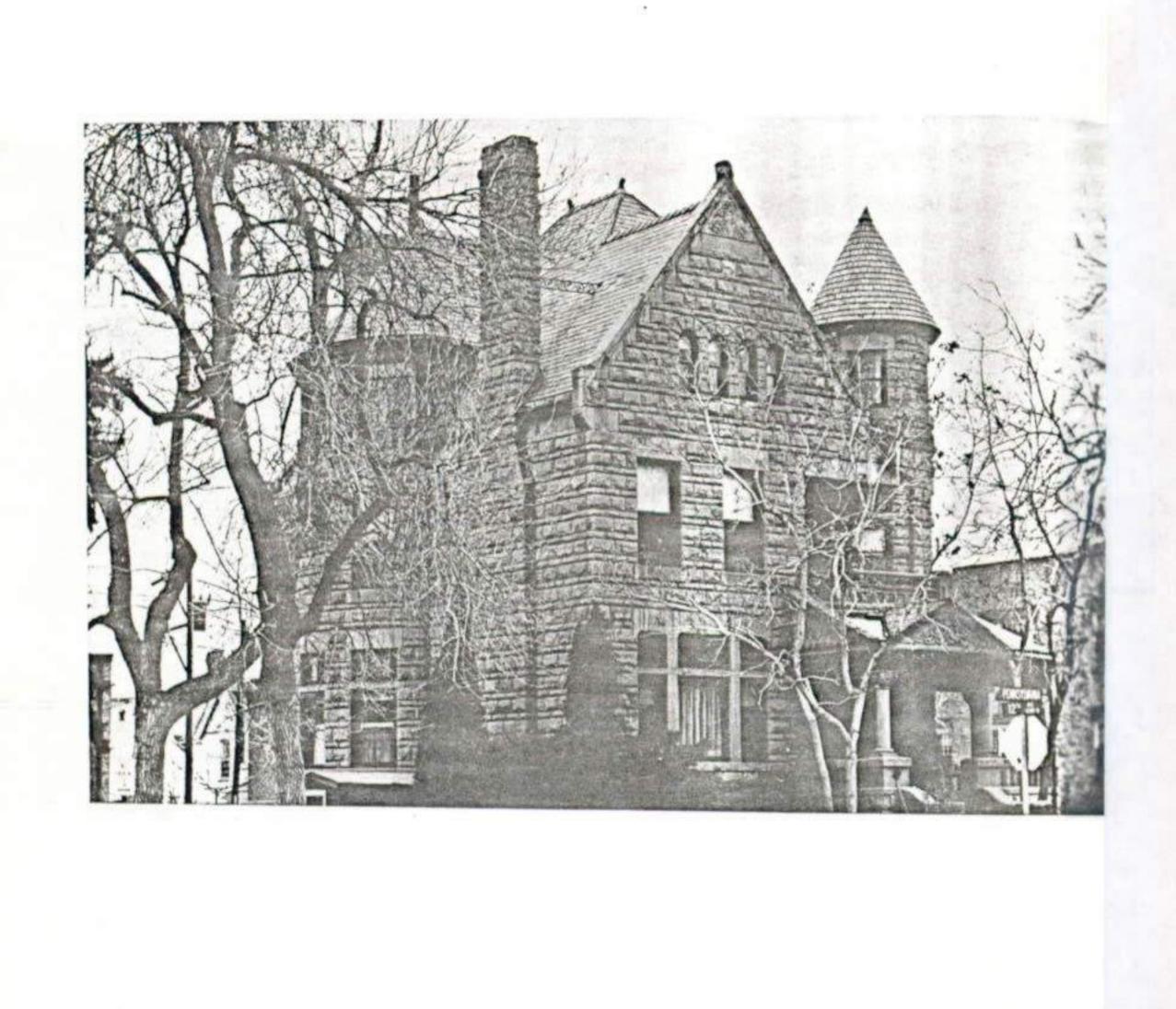
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Keating House is significant for its association with Jeffery and Mary Keating, who were prominent business people in late nineteenth century Denver, and for its architecture, one of the finest examples of the Richardsonian Romanesque style in Denver.

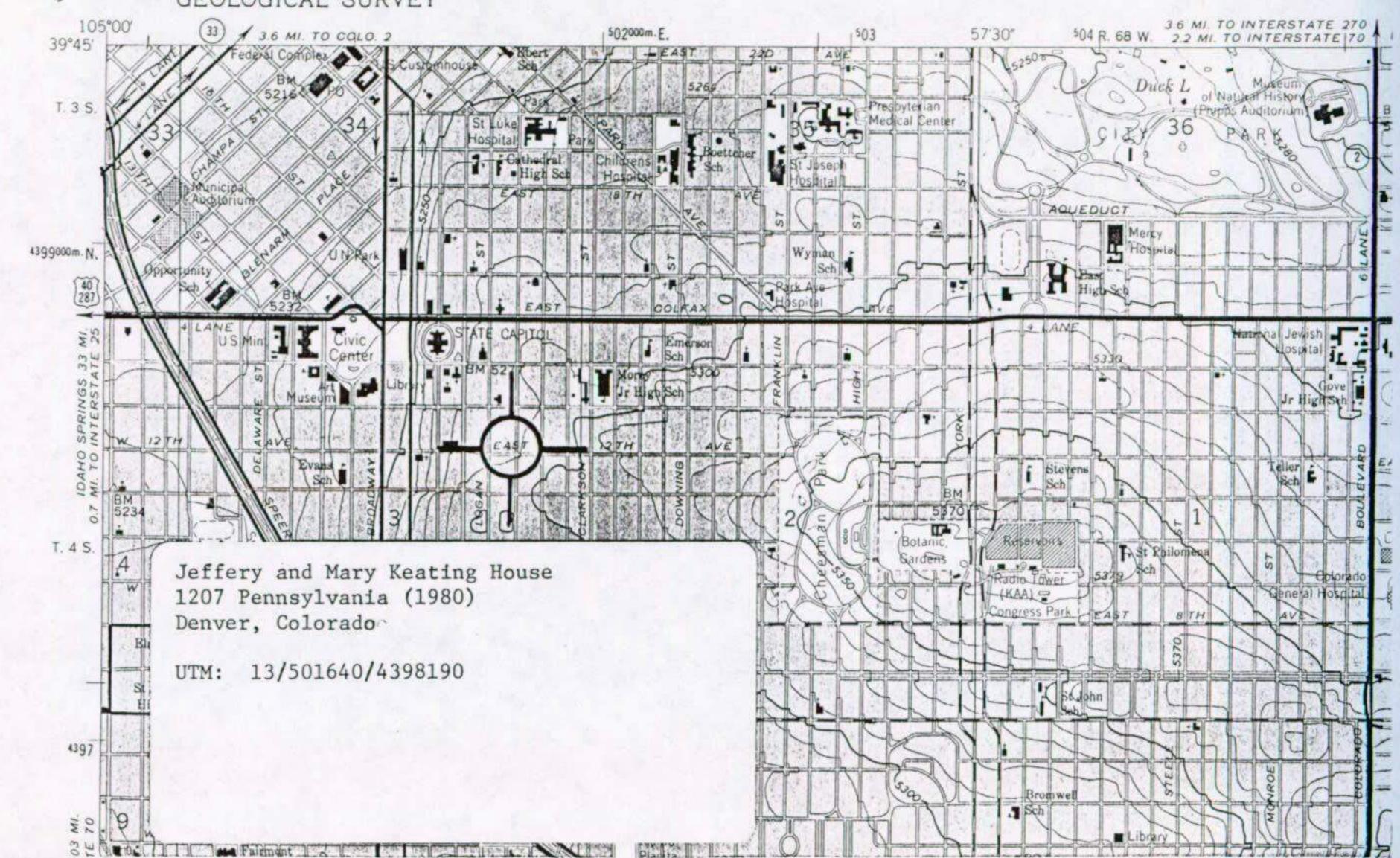
From the 1870s onward, Jeffery Keating was a real estate developer and promoter in Denver and a founder of the McPhee & McGinnity Lumber Company. He made his money with the early and rapid expansion of the community during the boom in the late nineteenth century. His wife Mary apparently played a role in these dealings as she was listed as the owner of many properties in which he had an interest, including the land on which the Keatings built this house. They also owned a considerable amount of other property in this section of Capitol Hill. When the Keatings built this property in 1891, the neighborhood was an upper middle class area predominantly inhabited by lawyers, doctors, bankers, real estate and mining men, and the Keating House was one of the more outstanding. This development on Capitol Hill, however, came to a sudden end in 1893 when the silver crash created a financial tumble that bankrupted many of Denver's presumably well-to-do. The Keating House proved to be one of the last vintage houses built before the financial crisis dawned.

From an architectural perspective the Keating House is one of the relatively few remaining houses in Denver built in the Richardsonian Romanesque style. The massing, heavy feeling, gables, and varying fenestration all reflect the characteristic elements of the style. It stands today on Capitol Hill as a prominent local landmark, a reminder of a bygone style of architecture.



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