United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,
I hereby certify that this _X_ nomination ___ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.

In my opinion, the property _X_ meets ___ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

| ___ national | ___ statewide | _X_ local |

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4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

| ___ entered in the National Register | ___ determined eligible for the National Register |
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| ___ other (explain:) |                                      |

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Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current physical appearance of the property. Explain contributing and noncontributing resources if necessary. Begin with a summary paragraph that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, setting, size, and significant features.)

Summary

Erected in 1916 by newspaper publisher and political leader Clarence Phelps Dodge, the Dodge-Hamlin House meets the registration requirements specified in the Multiple Property Documentation Form “Historic Resources of Colorado College, Colorado Springs, Colorado.”\(^1\) Colorado College acquired the house in 1943 following the death of second owner Clarence C. Hamlin, an influential newspaper publisher and political leader, lawyer, and mining investor. As a facility of the college, the building has housed students, faculty, and staff and is associated with the historic context “Development of Colorado College During World War II and Beyond, 1941-96.” The well preserved residence is significant for its historic association with Colorado College, its association with persons prominent in the city’s history, its representation of the Mission Revival style, its early twentieth-century landscape architecture, and its representation of the work of Colorado Springs architect Nicolaas van den Arend. The property type represented is Noncollegiate Residences, defined as privately built dwellings later acquired and used by the college.

The Dodge-Hamlin House, a historic residential property in the western portion of the Colorado College campus, is located at 1148 North Cascade Avenue (formerly addressed as 1122 Wood Avenue) in central Colorado Springs (Photograph 1).\(^2\) The substantial Mission Revival-style residence displays tan stucco walls atop a rhyolite foundation with decorative inlays of granite.\(^3\) The stucco is heavily textured, described in van den Arend’s drawings as a “pebble dash” finish. The irregularly shaped house is two and three stories and features porches on the north, east, and south; roof top decks on the south, west, and north; and balconies on the west. There are flat and arched windows with wood or stone sills. The roof, complex in form, is covered with asphalt composition shingles and displays widely overhanging eaves, shaped rafter tails, and tall stucco chimneys.

Historically, this block of Wood Avenue was lined with large, architecturally distinguished single-family homes adjacent to the college grounds. Over time, Colorado College acquired many of the houses and incorporated them into its campus, preserving some for its use while removing others and erecting new residential facilities. North of the nominated property are three large historic residences now owned by the college, while a newer residential hall lies across the south lawn. To the east across Wood Avenue are other historic residences employed as student housing and newer residence halls. The Dodge-Hamlin House is set back from Wood Avenue, and the land declines at the rear, providing the property with views of college athletic fields, the Van Briggle Pottery Building, the Monument Valley, and scenic vistas of Pike’s Peak and the Rampart Range. Architect Nicolaas van den Arend designed the house and its grounds to take full advantage of this setting through the use of lawns and terraces, trees and shrubs, encircling balustrades, stone and stucco walls, stone stairways and seating, porches, windows, and balconies. The architecture and landscape are described in greater detail below.

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\(^2\) This portion of Wood Avenue is now wholly within the Colorado College campus and is no longer a public street. The house is formally addressed on North Cascade Avenue, a block to the east.
\(^3\) Rhyolite is a generally light-colored extrusive igneous rock with quartz, alkali feldspars, glass, and biotite mica often included in its composition. It was quarried in Colorado and used to construct a number of historic buildings and foundations in Colorado Springs.
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Description

House, 1916, Building, Contributing, Map Reference A

North

Rather than facing east toward the public street, the house faces north. The front (north wall) of the house (roughly 65' X 63') includes a hipped roof wing at the west end, a central tower with a projecting one-story flat roof porch, and a flat roof wing on the east (Photographs 2-4). On the north wall of the west hipped roof wing, the basement wall is above grade and composed of polygonal rhyolite inset with decorative clusters of granite, while the upper two stories are clad with stucco. A nine-light casement window with a stone lintel and sill is toward the west end of the basement level, while the stories above display an expanse of blank wall. There is a second nine-light casement window toward the center of the basement wall, with nine-light casement windows slightly offset on each story above. Further east are small paired four-light windows just above the basement level and a large panel of nine four-light windows on the second story. A recently added full-height projecting stucco chimney is adjacent to the window panel; the chimney has tapered shoulders at the basement level. Small paired four-light windows are east of the chimney.

Toward the center of the house is the shed roof two-and-a-half-story tower, which is set back slightly from the west wing and has a projecting, stucco entrance porch. The west wall of the porch features a large, arched multi-light window that frames a view of the landscape to the west. The porch includes arched entrances on the north and east accessing a paneled wood door with multi-light sidelights in the tower. The porch floor is concrete inlaid with blue Van Briggle tiles. French doors on the second story of the tower open onto a deck on the roof of the porch, and a small four-light window is aligned above the doors on the third story. The east wall of the tower includes paired eight-light casement windows on the first story and a single nine-light window above.

The three-story wing at the east end displays stucco walls, and the first story contains paired six-light windows near the foundation at the west end, similar windows at the base of the second story, and a vertical panel of four six-light windows on the third story. Toward the center of the wing are four eight-light casement windows on the first story and two six-light windows aligned above on the second story; further east are two sets of paired six-light windows near the top of the wall under a shed roof hood with shaped rafter tails and corner brackets atop stucco consoles.

East

The east wall displays a two-bay façade composed of the three-story flat roof wing at the north end and a two-story hipped roof wing at the south end (Photographs 5 and 6). The foundation is composed of two courses of rock-faced rhyolite. On the first story, the three-story bay has a small four-light window near the northeast corner and a band of four six-over-six-light double-hung sash windows toward the south. The second story contains paired six-light casement windows toward the north and two single six-over-six-light windows toward the south. The third story has two sets of paired six-light casements sheltered by a shed roof wood hood with shaped rafter tails and corner brackets atop stucco consoles. There is a metal fire escape extending diagonally from the ground to the base of the southern third story windows. The two-story hipped roof bay toward the

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4 The architect's drawings show the main entrance to the house on the north wall, with the entrance at the southeast corner identified as the kitchen porch. There is no explanation in the historic record for this unusual orientation, but it may have been to place the public and living spaces along the west side of the house adjacent to the important view toward the mountains, with the kitchen and support areas situated on east section of the first story. N. van den Arend, “Dwelling House, 1122 Wood Avenue, Colorado Springs, for Clarence P. Dodge,” architectural drawings, Special Collections, Pikes Peak Library District, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

5 Ingrid Hetfield, granddaughter of Clarence and Seddie Hamlin, also indicates this was the main entrance to the house utilized by the family and guests arriving via the oval drive. Ingrid Hetfield, Ocean View, Delaware, Telephone Interview by Thomas H. Simmons, 26 May 2013.
southern features an inset porch on the first story with an arched entrance on the east. A paneled and glazed door with a wood screen faces east onto the porch and a paneled and glazed door with a transom faces south. The porch floor is concrete, and there are two concrete steps to the east entrance. Aligned above the porch are two small round arch six-light casement windows. The hipped roof above displays widely overhanging flared eaves with shaped rafter tails.

**South**

On the south the foundation is composed of courses of rhyolite rubble, as well as decoratively placed clusters of red and pink granite. The south wing is two stories and features the first-story inset porch at the east end, which has an arched window with a wood sill above a solid stucco balustrade (Photograph 7). Further west are small, paired, six-light casement windows. The second story at the east end contains a group of three small round arch six-light casement windows (the center window is wider). Further west is a projecting two-story rectangular bay with an exposed basement level facing a stone window well with two six-light windows. The first and second stories of the projecting bay have two stacked four-light windows on the east wall. The south wall displays bands of ten stacked four-light windows on each story, with the lowest windows of the first story being slightly taller. At the center of the roof above is a hipped roof dormer with wood shingle siding, a band of four eight-light casement windows, and widely overhanging eaves with shaped rafter tails.

A projecting, one-story, flat roof, L-shaped screened porch with rock-faced stone base and stucco walls wraps from the west wall of the south wing to the set back south wall of the west wing (Photograph 8). The eastern part of the porch projects to the south and displays round arch windows above balustrades on the east and west and an elliptical arch entrance on the south facing stone steps. West of the projecting entrance bay, the porch displays an arcade of round and elliptical arches springing from round stucco columns; an entrance facing stone steps is near the east end, and a window is above a balustrade at the top of a stone wall on the west. The stucco walls of the porch on the south are inlaid with two panels of Van Briggle tiles featuring a floral motif executed in shades of yellow, green, and blue (Photograph 9). The porch interior displays a concrete floor inlaid with green Van Briggle tiles. The roof of the projecting porch forms a deck on the second story, with doors and windows facing the deck on the south and west walls. There is a tall, rectangular chimney above the west wall of the south wing.

**West**

On the west the land declines and the basement level is exposed, displaying walls clad with polygonal rhyolite of varied finishes and shades and clusters of decorative pieces of granite (Photographs 10 and 11). The basement level contains three nine-light casement windows with a continuous rock-faced sandstone lintel and stone sills toward the south and a paneled and glazed door in an entrance with a sandstone lintel toward the north. The upper stories are clad with stucco, and at the south end the first story is a large picture window with a multi-light transom and sidelights aligned below a set of French doors with sidelights and a transom facing a small wrought iron balcony on the second story. At the north end, a rectangular panel of six four-light windows is on the first story, with a second French door and wrought iron balcony aligned above. There is a tall, tapered, stucco chimney projecting from the roof.

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6 The architect’s drawings envisioned an open, hipped roof, north-south porch along the west wall of the south wing of the house (see Figure 10). The current porch appears in a ca. 1922 aerial photograph and in other 1920s-1930s photographs. Thus, the current design of the porch may have been original to the house, reflecting a change made during the course of construction. N. van den Arend, “Dwelling House, 1122 Wood Avenue.”

7 The original architect’s drawings show six four-light windows instead of the above-described French doors, and the south window on the first story is shown with a smaller center light (see Figure 10). A 1943 newspaper photograph shows these features as they appear today. They may have been original features, reflecting modifications during the course of construction. N. van den Arend, “Dwelling House, 1122 Wood Avenue.”
Interior

Although the interior was remodeled for college residential use, it retains some original features (see Figures 10 through 14 for historic and current floorplans). The living room (first story, southwest corner) includes a fireplace with stone firebox facing a stone hearth and an arched niche in the overmantel (Photograph 12). The living room also has French doors leading to the south porch, smooth plaster walls, and tall baseboards composed of horizontal wood planks. The dining room (first story, south) retains plaster walls, a plaster fireplace with a concave overmantel, and an entrance to the porch (Photograph 13). There is a paneled wood door at the northoyer entrance and a door with multiple lights above wood panels and with sidelights that leads from the foyer to the hall. The east section of the first story, now containing an apartment flanked by kitchens, originally housed a large kitchen area with pantry, closet, and ice closet and a laundry. The area at the northwest corner of the first story now holding a laundry is identified on drawings as the library.8

Garage, ca. 1916, Building, Contributing, Map Reference B

The two-car roughly rectangular (31' X 23') garage is located northwest of the house on a terrace below the courtyard accessing the north porch (Photograph 19). The flat roof one-story building displays walls of polygonal rock-faced rhyolite topped by flat parapets clad with textured stucco with rock-faced sandstone coping. On the west wall the garage has a wide center opening filled with plywood; at the center of the infill area are hinged double plywood doors. The south wall contains a small, inset three-light window with a stone sill and further east an inset pedestrian entrance with a panel and glazed door.

Landscape, 1916, Site, Contributing

Northeast

The northeast corner of the grounds contains an oval drive with a center oval island northeast of the house, as well as a brick sidewalk laid in a basket-weave pattern leading from the projecting north porch to a stone stairwell providing access to the garage on the lower terrace (Photographs 14 and 18). A blue spruce stands next to the house east of the north porch and a ponderosa pine, a Douglas fir, and a piñon pine are at the northwest corner. The oval island has a concrete curb and its plantings include trees (upright juniper and crabapple) and shrubs. Along the west edge of the brick sidewalk is a solid stucco wall with stone cap flanking a curving section of wrought iron (the base of the wall, composed of polygonal stone, is above grade on the lower terrace and acts as a retaining wall).9 Bordering the oval drive on the north and south is a low stucco and stone wall with a stone cap. There is a low stone wall along the east with an entrance flanked by pink stone piers with buff stone caps topped by spherical stone ornaments.

East

In front of the house on the east is a broad concrete sidewalk leading from the public sidewalk to the east porch, with a branching sidewalk to the north, where there is an entrance in the stucco and stone wall accessing the oval drive and the north porch (Photograph 15). The east yard is planted in grass and is enclosed on the north, east, and south by stone and stucco walls; the south wall is curved at the east end. The walls have spherical stone ornaments at the top. A Douglas fir stands in front of the house near the east entrance porch, and a group of shrubs is located at the northeast corner of the yard. The east edge of the property is enclosed with a low stucco wall with a stone cap; the wall is open flanking the intersecting sidewalk (the remnant of a gate latch is present). Mulch covers the area between the sidewalk and the wall in front. Planted in the tree lawn in front are northern red oaks and silver maples.

South

South of the house is a large sunken lawn, slightly lower in elevation than the east lawn, planted in grass and bounded by a low wall composed of pink rhyolite on the outside and stucco with panels on the inside of the

8 N. van den Arend, “Dwelling House, 1122 Wood Avenue.”
9 The stucco portion of the wall above the stone retaining wall is about 4’ tall.
curving east end (Photographs 15 and 16). The curving east end features stone benches flanking three rock-faced sandstone steps leading to a slightly raised platform with multiple upright junipers rising in front of a taller stucco wall. A Northstar cherry tree is on the exterior of the curving wall on the north end and an upright juniper is opposite on the south. The wall extends along the south edge of the property and incorporates a rhyolite base, balustrades with urn-shaped balusters, yellow brick piers, and a stone cap; there is an opening in the balustrade providing access to an adjacent residential building of the college. A Louisa crabapple is just south of the porch at the southeast corner of the house. On the south, the area in the angle formed by the walls of the L-shaped porch is a slightly raised rectangular terrace planted in grass, with a large lilac at the southwest corner, and bounded by a low stone retaining wall. Upright junipers stand in front of the south porch.

West

The balustrade wall extends along the west edge of the sunken lawn, where an entrance in the wall leads to a landing with double stone stairs with stone side walls descending on the north and south leading to the lower west terrace. Upright junipers are in front of the stair wall. The west face of the wall, visible from the lower terrace, has a center stucco section inlaid with a decorative arched panel of Van Briggle tiles depicting a vase with white flowers executed in shades of blue, white, yellow, and green (Photograph 17). A level rectangular section of lawn (perhaps the former site of the rose garden parterre intended to be viewed from the upper terrace) just north of the double stairs is defined by stone retaining walls on the north, south, and east, and is flanked by stone steps descending westward on the north and south. The steps at the north end of the enclosed lawn lead to a curving brick sidewalk winding toward the access road near a college athletic field (Photographs 10 and 11). A row of piñon pines is found north of the sidewalk, screening a college maintenance building to the north.

The north end of the lower terrace, adjacent to the garage, is paved with asphalt and is bounded on the east by a polygonal stone wall. Stone stairs with stone side walls at the rear of the garage lead from the lower terrace to the level of the oval driveway. There is a polygonal stone wall with a curving top capped by stone extending from the west wall of the garage westward to partially enclose the lower terrace.

Integrity

This property retains a high level of integrity of location, setting, design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association meeting the requirements for listing detailed in the Multiple Property Documentation Form (MPDF), “Historic Resources of Colorado College, Colorado Springs” and representing the property type “Noncollegiate Residences.” The MPDF indicates an eligible building nominated under Criterion A should possess integrity sufficient to convey significance as a privately constructed noncollegiate residence associated with the historic growth of the city and sufficient to convey its association with the development of the college through use or acquisition. A building nominated under Criterion C should retain a high degree of historic integrity conveying its significance as an example of an architectural style or method of construction, high artistic values, or the work of a master. The MPDF notes integrity of interior features will contribute to a building’s significance since many houses acquired by the college have undergone remodeling to adapt to academic uses. The Dodge-Hamlin House is also being nominated under Criterion B, for its strong association with prominent Colorado Springs residents Clarence P. Dodge and Clarence C. Hamlin; therefore the property should reflect its character at the time of their ownership.

The property displays excellent integrity of location, with the two contributing buildings and the existing historic landscape features occupying the same locations they did during the period of significance. The immediate setting of the house, particularly the landscape elements important to its original character, displays substantial integrity, retaining the terraces, balustrades, lawns, stone walls and stairs, seating, some of the trees, and the views incorporated by the architect. Some of these elements are shown in historic photographs of the yard south of the house (see Figures 2 and 4). The pathways formally dividing the south lawn are no longer present. The area in front of the house on the east has lost some of its original plantings, and the rose garden on the lower west lawn maintained by Mrs. Seddie Hamlin, the last owner before the college, is gone; some original
trees are no longer present and a few newer trees have been planted. A flood of Monument Creek to the west in 1935 damaged much property along its path throughout the city, including trees and other vegetation. Ingrid Hetfield, Hamlin’s granddaughter, recalls that the water reached the lower portion of the yard on the west. After the flood, Colorado College acquired the area along the creek, where it created athletic fields remaining today. Some changes to the setting resulted from this and other properties being incorporated into the Colorado College campus. The oval drive on the north is paved with asphalt and includes newer plantings in the center island. The house retains its original setback from the street, and the street itself retains several of the large residences historically present as well as newer student residence halls south and east of the property. The lot to the south was vacant during the historic period, according to Ingrid Hetfield, and college buildings were seen in the distance in that direction; today the lot is occupied by a newer, four-story, 162’ X 32’ college residential building. The property retains the excellent views of the immediate landscape, the interrelationship of the landscape elements and the natural setting, and defining views of the Monument Valley, Pikes Peak, and the Rocky Mountains that reflect the City Beautiful principles advocated by designer Nicolaas van den Arend. The design of the exterior of the house retains a high level of historic physical integrity with most changes dating to the period of significance. An undated historic photograph of the house provided by a Hamlin family member shows the east and south walls appearing as they do today, without the fire escape on the east wall (added after the college acquired the property in 1943). The house retains the colorful Van Briggle tile decorations that were a trademark of the architect’s designs. The multi-light windows, including arched windows and panels of stacked windows, remain. The house received a full-height stucco chimney in the former location of a coal chute on the north between 2009 and 2013 that necessitated the removal of a small four-light window on the first story. Above the north entrance, the third story once held a small louvered vent; the opening now contains a four-light window. The round arched openings at the southeast corner of the second story originally were screened; they now contain six-light windows. The open porch at the southeast corner of the first story originally held a small four-light window on its east wall that has been replaced with a pedestrian door. The high level of integrity of the unusual design makes it a significant representative of the work of architect Nicolaas van den Arend. Although long reconfigured for college residential use, the interior of the house retains some original features detailed above. Although the sunken lawn south of the house retains many elements of its original design, historic photographs of the site show the lawn bisected by an east-west sidewalk at the center and with an east-west sidewalk south of the house and a north-south sidewalk extended from the west entrance of the porch to the edge of the lawn. Ingrid Hetfield also recalls the raised platform at the east end of the south garden featured a marble statue by Cesare Lapini, Psyche Abandoned. She indicates the lower terrace on the west featured a rose garden parterre, while the remainder of the yard was planted in grass.10 The materials utilized in constructing the house are unchanged, including the stone and stucco of the foundation and walls and the original windows. Van Briggle tiles utilized in the house and landscape features also remain. The upright junipers appear in early photographs of the property and appear to be original landscape elements. The original workmanship is clearly evident in the textured stucco and stone masonry of the house, garage, and landscape features. The stonework displays highly ornate finishes, shapes, and varieties of stone utilized for the lower walls of the house, the garage, the landscape walls and stairways, and other features. The feeling of the property remains intact, conveying its role as a residence of well-to-do Colorado Springs families during the first half of the twentieth century. Features reflecting the city’s identity during the era include the stone construction, the Mission Revival-style architectural elements, and the attention to the landscape and setting. The building’s substantial size, artistic design, and splendid location in an area originally dominated by houses of similar scale and distinction enhance the integrity of feeling. The building also retains integrity of association, providing a tangible link to the lifestyles of the wealthy and prominent citizens who occupied the

10 Hetfield, Telephone Interview, 26 May 2013.
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house. Its location within the college campus today reflects the institution’s close association with the neighborhood and its long-established policy of acquiring, through gifts and purchases, houses in areas adjacent to its grounds for use as housing, classrooms, and offices. The property’s association with the college as a sorority house, women’s residence, classroom, and faculty housing represents an important aspect of Colorado College’s history.
8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria
(Mark “x” in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- **A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- **B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- **C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- **D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Areas of Significance
(Enter categories from instructions.)

- **ARCHITECTURE**
- **COMMUNICATIONS**
- **EDUCATION**
- **LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE**
- **POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT**

Period of Significance

- 1916 (architecture, landscape architecture)
- 1916-40 (communications, politics and govt.)
- 1943-64 (education)

Significant Dates

- 1916
- 1923
- 1943

Significant Person

(Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)

- Dodge, Clarence, P.
- Hamlin, Clarence C.

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

van den Arend, Nicolaas

Period of Significance (justification)

The period of significance under Criterion A is 1943-1964, representing the date the house became a component of the Colorado College campus and its historic period of use by the college fifty years from today. The period of significance under Criterion B is 1916-40, reflecting the periods Clarence P. Dodge (1916-23) Clarence C. Hamlin (1923-40) lived in the house. The period of significance under Criterion C is 1916, representing the date the house was completed.

Criteria Considerations (explanation, if necessary) None
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**Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph** (Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance and applicable criteria.)

Dodge-Hamlin House possesses significance qualifying it for listing in the National Register under Criterion A in the field of Education, as specified in the Multiple Property Documentation Form (MPDF) “Historic Resources of Colorado College, Colorado Springs, Colorado” for its association with the growth of the Colorado College campus and its educational programs (1943-64). The house is significant under Criterion B in the field of Communications and Politics and Government for its strong association with two leading newspaper publishers and editors and political leaders in the city: Clarence Phelps Dodge, who built and lived in the house during 1916-23, and Clarence Clark Hamlin, who resided here from 1923 to 1940. The house is also significant under Criterion C: in the field of Architecture for its excellent representation of the Mission Revival style and of the types of dwelling construction favored by wealthy Colorado Springs families during the early twentieth century; in the field of Landscape Architecture as an intact residential landscape reflecting City Beautiful concepts; and for its representation of the work of master architect Nicolaas van den Arend in architecture and landscape architecture. The property qualifies for listing in the National Register at a local level of significance.

**Narrative Statement of Significance** (Provide at least one paragraph for each area of significance.)

**Criterion A**

Dodge-Hamlin House is strongly associated with the growth of the Colorado College campus and the institution’s educational programs during the period 1943 to 1964 and falls under the MPDF context “Development of Colorado College During World War II and Beyond, 1941-1996.” With the conclusion of World War II and the return of military veterans eager to pursue educational opportunities under advantageous terms of the G.I. Bill, enrollment numbers for both men and women at the college increased dramatically. Student housing was in very short supply, and the college scrambled to find lodging situations meeting its needs. Temporary solutions, such as occupying a wing of the Plaza Hotel, Quonset huts, and other surplus war buildings, were employed. Fortunately, the college owned the large Dodge-Hamlin House as the result of a donation by the El Pomar Foundation and pressed it into use as a women’s residence in the postwar period. In acquisition of the Dodge-Hamlin property, the college followed an established policy of utilizing substantial dwellings on the periphery of its campus in its programs, a trend followed by many colleges across the country. Earlier examples of the institution’s acquisition of nearby residences included the 1914 donation of State Register-listed Jackson House (5EP.3482), which originally served as the college’s Administration Building, and the 1936 donation of National Register-listed Lennox House (5EP.3182, NRIS 990001266, 21 October 1999), used as the first Student Union.

**Criterion B**

The house is significant under Criterion B as the residence of two men important in the history of Colorado Springs as newspaper publishers and as political leaders: Clarence P. Dodge (1916-23) and Clarence C. Hamlin (1923-40).11 Dodge, who built the house and was described as “one of Colorado’s distinguished citizens,” is significant in the areas of Communications and Politics in Colorado Springs as publisher and editor of city newspapers, including the Colorado Springs Gazette, the Herald, and the Evening Telegraph.12 In an era prior to television and alternative media, local newspaper publishers and editors held pivotal positions in the city, with the capacity to wield enormous influence and power in shaping public opinion and governmental

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11 The buildings housing the newspapers associated with Dodge and Hamlin during the historic period are no longer extant. Prior to building this house, Dodge lived in at least three houses during 1902-16 period, much brief tenures than at 1122 Wood Avenue. He lived elsewhere in Colorado Springs 1923-30 after selling this house, but his newspaper publishing career ended in 1923.

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Policy. In this capacity Dodge guided the outlook of the city, as in his strong support of Governor Oliver Shoup, who opposed the state's incipient Ku Klux Klan and condemned radicalism, discrimination against immigrants, and the "virus of hate."13 Historian Marshall Sprague found Colorado Springs was the only major city in Colorado that "escaped" infiltration by the Klan in the 1920's.14 Dodge also achieved significance as a political leader, serving as a 1905-06 state representative, the Colorado Progressive Party state chairman during the campaigns of 1914 and 1916, and a Republican Party leader who sought the governorship in 1928.15 Denver City Treasurer Allison Stocker described Dodge as "a Progressive before Progressivism was invented."16

Dodge also devoted much time to community activities and organizations. He worked with the Young Men's Christian Association as its state chairman, president of its Colorado Springs organization, organizer of the Estes Park conference, and part of its international committee during World War I. He was a leader in the creation of the Girl Scouts in Colorado Springs and helped to establish Sunnyrest Sanitarium, an institution serving health-seekers of modest means. Active in social affairs and philanthropy, he served as president of the Colorado Springs Community Chest. The Colorado Springs Gazette called him a "well known civic, political and social leader of Colorado Springs for a number of years."17

The Dodge-Hamlin House is also significantly associated with Clarence C. Hamlin, who purchased the residence in 1923; lived here with his family; and died in the residence in 1940. Hamlin played a major role in the areas of Communications and Politics in Colorado Springs as publisher and editor of the leading newspapers of the 1920s-1940s. He acquired three newspapers from Clarence Dodge and consolidated them into the Gazette-Telegraph, forerunner of today's Gazette, the city's only daily newspaper. Like Dodge, Hamlin used his newspaper to influence public opinion and governmental decision-making, and from 1923 to 1940 he controlled the daily newspaper market in Colorado Springs.18

Hamlin also played a major role in the area of Politics, serving as a longtime Colorado delegate to national Republican conventions, a Republican national committeeman for Colorado for eight years, and a close friend of presidents Harding, Coolidge, and Hoover. The New York Times called Hamlin "one of the State's most influential political experts."19 At the time of his death, he was cited as a "political leader in Colorado for nearly 40 years, Cripple Creek mining pioneer, one of the West's best known attorneys, and a man of wide acquaintance with the nation's leaders."20 The most notable crusade in Hamlin's political career was his leading, prominent, and sustained effort to fight the influence of the Ku Klux Klan in Colorado Springs and in Colorado politics during the 1920s. Hamlin employed his newspapers in an unrelenting campaign to expose and denounce the group, deeming the Klan's ideology "such that few save the most viciously biased would openly subscribe to it. The protection of anonymity, the refuge of moral cowardice, alone brings members to it."21 According to historian Robert A. Goldberg, "Hamlin and his staff prominently displayed news articles highlighting Klan violence and corruption while maintaining a steady flow of anti-Klan commentary. The newspapers even refused to report information concerning Klan lectures or public meetings."22 Hamlin helped

14 The authors are indebted to retired Senior City Planner Timothy J. Scanlon for assessing Dodge's impact on the city, Timothy J. Scanlon, Colorado Springs, Colorado, email to Thomas H. Simmons, 13 July 2013.
15 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 26 February 1928 and 30 July 1939, 1.
16 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 6 April 1913, 1.
17 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 30 July 1939, 1.
20 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 31 October 1940.
22 Goldberg, Hooded Empire, 52-53.
organize and served on the executive council of the anti-Klan Citizens’ Committee of Colorado Springs in 1925. The group played an important role in preventing the secret organization from gaining control of the city council and school board that year. In 1926 he and former Governor Oliver H. Shoup received national attention for leading a successful fight to defeat Klan-backed candidates in Republican primaries and keep the Ku Klux Klan from controlling the party in Colorado.23 Two leading studies of the history and role of the 1920s Klan identify Hamlin as a leader in the anti-Klan movement in Colorado: Robert A. Goldberg’s *Hooded Empire: The Ku Klux Klan in Colorado* and David M. Chalmers, *Hooded Americanism: The History of the Ku Klux Klan*,24 Robert D. Loevy, professor emeritus at Colorado College and author (with Thomas Cronin) of *Colorado Politics and Policy: Governing a Purple State* (2012) observes:

I have always regarded it as one of the bright spots in the history of Colorado Springs that my hometown of 45 years has been identified in many historical accounts as a center of resistance to the Ku Klux Klan in Colorado. It has been amply demonstrated that Clarence Hamlin, owner and editor of the *Gazette-Telegraph*, used his newspaper and its central role in the news media of the period to oppose the Ku Klux Klan and thereby aided the defeat of the Ku Klux Klan’s anti-minority program for Colorado. In my opinion, Clarence Hamlin’s successful opposition to the Colorado Ku Klux Klan in Colorado contributes greatly to the historical significance of his former home – Hamlin House at Colorado College.25

**Criterion C**

Dodge-Hamlin House is significant under Criterion C in the field of Architecture as a large-scale, finely crafted example of the Mission Revival style in Colorado Springs. The Mission Revival style represented American architecture’s return to its historic roots, a reaction to the Victorian era focus on imported historic revival styles. Deriving expression from the architecture of old Spanish missions and haciendas in the southwest, the style became popular at the same time as the Craftsman style, displaying similar preferences for simplicity, use of natural materials, and a forthright approach to construction. Some credit rising interest in the style to former Colorado Springs resident Helen Hunt Jackson’s 1884 novel, *Ramona*, which stimulated appreciation of California’s Spanish Colonial and Native American heritage and the attendant preservation and restoration of related historic sites. California architects promoted the style in the late 1880s and early 1890s, and the design of a Mission Revival-style California Building at the 1893 World’s Columbian Exposition in Chicago spread the style’s appreciation, particularly in the West. Early examples of the style tended to be large public buildings, such as churches and hotels. As the style was adopted for residential applications, the first houses designed tended to be the focal points of large estates, with gradual adaptation for more modest dwellings. Common features of the style included stucco walls, round arches, shaped parapets, grouped small-scale casement windows, round columns, one-story arcaded porches, rooftop decks and balconies, projecting square towers, inlaid tiles and carved stonework, niches, French doors, flat and hipped roofs, Craftsman-influenced deep eave overhangs with exposed shaped rafter tails, dormers, and clay tile roofs. Virginia McAlester indicates popularity of the style declined after World War I in favor of Spanish Colonial Revival design “as architectural fashion shifted from free, simplified adaptations of earlier prototypes to more precise, correct copies.”26

Colorado Springs residents recognized the state’s Latino heritage and, like much of the country, retained romantic visions of the history of the Old West, which were also themes attractive to the tourists important to the city’s economy. The Mission Revival style, with its roots in the West, seemed appropriate for the setting

23 *New York Times*, 16 September 1926.
25 Robert D. Loevy, Colorado Springs, Colorado, Email to Laurie and Tom Simmons, 12 July 2013.
and lifestyles of the city, and significant public buildings were designed in the style during the early twentieth century, including 1901 Whittier School (5EP.312) and 1921 Church of the Sacred Heart (5EP.266). Only a few of the large Mission Revival-style dwellings erected in the city are listed in the National Register. These include Lennox House (5EP.3182, NRIS 99001266, 21 October 1999) designed by architect Frederick Sterner and built in 1900 at 1001 North Nevada Avenue, a property donated to Colorado College by the estate of William Lennox in 1936. The National Register-listed Mission Revival-style Orchard House at Chambers-Rock Ledge Ranch (5EP.188, NRIS 79000599, 29 November 1979) was built about 1906 on a country property owned by William Jackson Palmer. In 1916 Spencer Penrose hired Thomas MacLaren to make Mission-style modifications to an existing residence, El Pomar (5EP.377, NRIS 95001328, 22 November 1995), on a large estate now listed in the National Register. The Dodge-Hamlin house is an important large-scale example of the Mission Revival style in Colorado Springs, including such representative features as stucco walls, flat and hipped roofs with deep eaves and shaped rafter tails, round arch casement windows, an arcaded porch, rooftop decks and wrought iron balconies, a projecting tower, decorative inlaid tiles, and French doors.

The property is an important representative of the work of architect Nicolaas van den Arend in Colorado Springs. Van den Arend designed only a small number of buildings during his few years in the city, but the buildings he created are considered highly important to the city's architectural heritage. The architect desired to produce buildings that matched the beauty of the city's setting and climate, according to his contemporaries. Two of his masterpieces, the Van Briggle Pottery Company (5EP.614, NRIS 09000249, 29 April 2009) and the Colorado Springs Young Women's Christian Association (5EP.198, NRIS 79000602, 10 September 1979), are listed in the National Register. Only two houses in Colorado Springs are known to be the work of van den Arend. Both are substantial Mission Revival-style residences of the finest quality designed for persons of prominence. The architect designed the 1913 A.G. Sharp residence (5EP.333.559, a contributing resource within the North End Historic District) for the president of the Exchange National Bank. The Sharp House is an important predecessor of the Dodge/Hamlin House, displaying themes and features the architect also employed in the later dwelling, including a stone foundation; multiple porches and balconies, porch arches rising from columns; small-pane casement and bay windows; glazed doors leading to porches; and a roof with widely overhanging eaves and shaped rafter tails. The landscape of the large yard also received van den Arend's attention, featuring a raised terrace enclosed by a balustrade on the south facing a yard traversed by pathways, many trees, and a fence with sections of wrought iron and stucco walls encircling the property.

The 1916 Dodge-Hamlin House is believed to be the last residence van den Arend designed in the city and is important for conveying the evolution of the architect's work. The house displays hallmarks of the Mission Revival style while presenting a restrained public (east) face to Wood Avenue that is devoid of the highly ornamental shaped parapets found on many examples of the style. The design took full advantage of the awe-inspiring setting through the use of porches, balconies, and decks; grouped and bay windows; and a Beaux-Arts landscape with a sunken lawn, terraces, an oval drive, and magnificent views. The architecture displayed regional emphasis through incorporation of Van Briggle tile, appropriate for the original owners who invested in the Colorado Springs company and a signature component of van den Arend's designs, and stone masonry lavishly displayed in the foundation and basement walls of the house and in the landscaping.

The Dodge-Hamlin House is further significant in the area of Landscape Architecture as an example of an early twentieth-century designed landscape reflecting City Beautiful era principles held by its designer, Nicolaas van den Arend. As the Colorado College Tiger judged upon the institution's acquisition of the house in 1943: “The landscaping on the large double lot, which runs into Monument Valley Park on the west, adds greatly to the attractiveness of the property.”27 During the 1900s and 1910s, as the City Beautiful movement gained momentum and Denver, led by Mayor Robert Speer, planned and began work on its Civic Center (listed as a National Historic Landmark on 16 October 2012), Nicolaas van den Arend, who had studied architecture in the Netherlands and other parts of Europe, spoke to the citizens of Colorado Springs about French architecture.

27 Tiger (Colorado College, Colorado Springs), 26 February 1943, 1.
and city planning. In 1910 he gave a presentation to a large audience at Colorado College, describing the growing appreciation for the work of improving and beautifying cities. Van den Arend stressed the importance of public squares and open spaces to cities like Colorado Springs and suggested the need for a large city auditorium, a pavilion for music, and more fountains and flowers. At the same time, he believed the city should retain its individual character, “making it a distinctly beautiful, modern, and western American city.” These suggestions reflected the philosophies of the City Beautiful movement, which encouraged American cities to become more attractive, well organized, and enjoyable for their residents and visitors.

The placement of the Dodge-Hamlin House took advantage of expansive views west toward Monument Valley Creek, Pikes Peak, and the Rampart Range. Van den Arend used the site’s existing topography to create upper and lower terraces, with the house, a sunken lawn, and an oval drive on the upper terrace, and a garden parterre and garage on the lower terrace. Views of the lower terrace were afforded from the west end of the sunken lawn, a small terrace partially enclosed by the porch at the southwest corner, and a curving overlook at the west end of the driveway. Sunken lawns or gardens, landscaped areas below the grade of the surrounding land, became popular in the early twentieth century and were found in many American cities and abroad. The original design of the house’s formal sunken lawn reflected such Beaux-Arts concepts as symmetry, balance, and rational progression through the space, with a *tapis vert* originally divided by two principal intersecting gravel paths forming a long east-west axis and a shorter transverse north-south axis. The lawn included a platform to display statuary at its curving east end, stone benches incorporated into the low encircling walls, classical balustrades, and a formal means of accessing the lower terrace by double stairs at the center of the lawn’s west end. In addition to statuary, van den Arend incorporated locally-produced Van Briggle art tile panels on the house and on the wall of the stairs to the lower terrace. While some landscape elements, including concrete sidewalks dividing the sunken lawn and some original plantings, are no longer present, what remains strongly illustrates van den Arend’s original concept, making the site the focal point of the property and increasing its overall significance.

**Developmental history/additional historic context information (if appropriate)**

**Introduction**

During its history as a private residence, this building was home to the two most prominent newspaper publishers and influential political leaders of the early twentieth century in Colorado Springs. In 1916 Clarence Phelps Dodge erected the $15,000 house, which was designed by Dutch-born Colorado Springs architect Nicolaas van den Arend. The dwelling’s location on Wood Avenue commanded a magnificent view of Pikes Peak and the Rampart Range. Dodge published the *Evening Telegraph*, which he purchased in 1901, and the *Gazette*, which he acquired in 1902. In 1903, he sold the *Telegraph* to Clarence Clark Hamlin. Dodge started a competing newspaper (the *Herald*) in 1908, later selling that publication to Hamlin, who combined it with the earlier newspaper in 1909. Dodge continued to publish the *Gazette* until Hamlin purchased it in 1923, the year he also bought this house from Dodge. Hamlin lived in the house with his family and published the *Gazette* until his death in 1940. Colorado College acquired the house from his widow, Mrs. Seddie Gunnell Hamlin, in 1943, and has utilized it for residential and classroom purposes in subsequent years.

**Clarence Phelps Dodge**

Clarence Phelps Dodge, the first owner of this house, was born in Honolulu on 26 July 1877 (see Figure 1). He was the grandson of William Earl Dodge, an abolitionist, railroad builder, Native American rights activist, Temperance leader, philanthropist, and founder of the Y.M.C.A. William E. Dodge and his father-in-law established Phelps, Dodge & Company, which became one of the largest mining enterprises in the country. Clarence P. Dodge attended the Westminster School, Phillips Academy, and Yale University, from which he

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28 *Gazette* (Colorado Springs), 10 February 1905 and 4 October 1910.
29 *Gazette* (Colorado Springs), 4 October 1910, 1.
graduated in 1899. He lived at the family home in Simsbury, Connecticut, before arriving in Colorado Springs to visit an ill brother, Francis Phelps Dodge. Remaining in the Centennial State, he engaged in the real estate business before becoming a reporter for the Colorado Springs Evening Telegraph. He acquired the newspaper in 1901 and in 1903 sold it to Clarence Hamlin and C.Y. Yeager. In 1902 he purchased the Gazette, a morning newspaper, and he also served as its managing editor beginning in 1916. In 1912 the Gazette became a Progressive newspaper in tune with Dodge’s political beliefs. In 1908 he founded the Herald as a competitor to the Telegraph, selling it to Hamlin in 1909. In 1923 Dodge sold the Gazette to Hamlin.

Clarence Dodge served one term in the Colorado House of Representatives and was chairman of the Progressive Party of Colorado during 1913–16. The Progressive movement, a reform effort that gained widespread support during the first two decades of the twentieth century, hoped to correct abuses associated with the growth of big business through improvement of working conditions, banking reform, consumer protections, and other means. Progressive successes in Colorado during the first two decades of the twentieth century included the first civil service statute for state employees, creation of a state railroad commission to regulate the industry, and measures governing child labor, elections, factory safety, and soil conservation.

Political leaders such as Theodore Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson, and Robert M. La Follette were identified with progressive philosophies. Dodge planned to run as a Republican for the U.S. Senate from Colorado in 1918, but withdrew from the race to volunteer as a member of the National War Work Council and International Committee of the YMCA during World War I. For the YMCA he took charge of the Western Division headquarters, which supervised work in cantonments. During the war he conducted such work on the Pacific Coast, in the Northwest, and in Hawaii. Dodge was described as an intimate friend of Gifford Pinchot, chief of the U.S. Forest Service during the administration of Theodore Roosevelt. With Clarence C. Hamlin he served on a committee to plan a memorial for the late president in 1919. Dodge was chairman of the state committee of the YMCA for more than ten years and president of the Colorado Springs group for several years. He became president of the Colorado Springs Community Chest in 1926 and also served as a trustee of the University of Beirut in Syria. He belonged to numerous clubs, including the Chicago Club, the Denver Club, Elks Club, and Broadmoor Golf Club. Dodge was a talented tennis player, winning a number of championships in the state. He pursued public welfare work and philanthropic activities after selling the Gazette.

In Colorado Springs in 1900 Dodge married Regina Lunt (born 1879), daughter of Judge Horace G. Lunt and niece of former Territorial Governor John Evans. The society column of the New York Times announced the wedding. Mrs. Regina Dodge, herself an artist, served on the Board of Trustees of the Broadmoor Art Academy and was a founder and officer of the Colorado Springs Art Society. Along with other Colorado Springs leaders, Clarence P. Dodge became a large investor in the Van Briggle Pottery Company in 1902. In 1903 the couple purchased a fine house on Cascade Avenue, where they lived with a daughter and a son: Regina Phelps Dodge and C. Phelps Dodge, Jr.

At the end of December 1915 the Gazette reported C.P. Dodge would build a new home (see Figure 3). The article indicated plans were being prepared by an architect and the work would begin in February or March and

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32 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 6 April 1913, 1.
34 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 19 February 1918, 1.
35 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 9 November 1918.
36 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 4 June and 17 December 1919.
37 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 14 February 1918, 1.
38 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 6 December 1919, 8.
40 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 4 December 1903.
be completed by the fall, if weather conditions were favorable. The property had a 300’ frontage on Wood Avenue. The newspaper noted Mr. Dodge had owned two lots at the southern end of Wood Avenue for several years and commented, “The site overlooks Monument Valley park and affords an unusually fine view of the entire mountain range.”

The Dodges were members of the city’s social elite who knew Nicholaas van den Arend through their association with the Van Briggle Pottery Company and his work on the Y.W.C.A. building in Colorado Springs. It seems probable that Regina Dodge worked with van den Arend to achieve the final plans, as she previously had provided builder Jock Spence with a Rustic design for the family’s summer cabin on Haystack Ranch in Jefferson County west of Evergreen. The house was completed by December 1916, when the Gazette indicated Henry J. Allen of Wichita, Kansas, a “publisher and prominent figure in the Progressive movement” would stay with the Dodges on Wood Avenue while in town to address a Colorado Springs club. In January 1917 a Bishop Johnson was a guest in the house. The 1920 U.S. Census showed the Dodge family at this address, including Clarence P.; Regina, who was born in 1879 in Illinois; daughter Regina Phelps; son C. Phelps; nephew Stewart [sic] P. Dodge; and a servant and cook. After selling the house, Clarence Dodge was involved in public welfare work of various kinds. In 1930 the Dodges moved to Washington, D.C. Clarence Phelps Dodge, Sr. died in Denver in 1939, after returning to Colorado in search of better health.

Architect Nicolaas van den Arend

The architect, Nicolaas van den Arend, was born in The Hague, Holland, in 1870, and studied architecture at Leiden University in the Netherlands and in Paris, Italy, and New York. In New York he met Lillie Belt McGrath, whom he married in 1893 before returning to Holland. The van den Arends had two sons, Frederik and Hood Dulanye. Nicolaas worked several years in The Hague, and the couple then moved to Cologne, Germany, where he practiced architecture for six years. Between 1897 and 1900 van den Arend, in collaboration with Louis Schreiber, designed at least six substantial masonry houses in central Cologne.

About 1901, the van den Arends returned to New York, where Nicolaas established an architectural practice. However, in 1904, Lillie contracted tuberculosis and the family moved to Colorado Springs in search of a cure. The couple became active in Colorado Springs social and cultural circles, and, in 1910, the Gazette described Nicolaas as “a prominent architect of this city.” Van den Arend designed the Van Briggle Pottery Company (built 1908, 5EP.614, NRIS 09000249, 29 April 2009), gymnasium for St. Stephen’s School (1910), Sunny Rest Sanatorium (1911), Young Women’s Christian Association (1913, 5EP.198, NRIS 79000602, 10 September 1979), Sharp House (1913, 5EP.333.559), Marksheffel Garage (1914), and the 1916 Dodge-Hamlin House in the city. All of the buildings included Van Briggle tiles on the exterior, interior, or both. In 1912, he was a co-designer of the first Colorado Springs municipal flag and also became a naturalized American citizen. While in the city he participated in and supported musical productions and artistic exhibitions.

41 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 29 December 1915, 5.
43 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 27 December 1916.
44 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 31 January 1917.
46 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 30 July 1939, 1.
47 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 3 December 1908, 7.
48 Dave van den Arend, email to R. Laurie Simmons, 25 May 2004; Gazette (Colorado Springs), 10 February 1910 and 4 October 1910.
49 Dr. Wolfram Hagspiel, Cologne, Germany, email to Thomas H. Simmons, 18 December 2008.
50 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 4 October 1910, 1.
51 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 21 July 1918, 15.
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Historians Ormes and Ormes called van den Arend one of the “outstanding architects of Colorado Springs up
to the end of the first quarter-century.”

Van den Arend notably worked with Anne Van Briggle to design the 1908 Van Briggle Pottery Company
(5EP.614, NRIS 09000249, 29 April 2009, listed at a national level of significance), a remarkable example of
early twentieth century pottery factory architecture displaying on its exterior thousands of art tiles and terra
cotta features manufactured by the plant. Both van den Arend’s education in the Netherlands and Europe and
his experience with the Van Briggle project led to his signature inclusion of colorful art tiles in all of his designs.
Other expressions of van den Arend’s design style were his adoption of elements of the Arts and Crafts
movement of the era exhibited in the Van Briggle building, including multiple small porches, small-pane
windows, a stone foundation, and wide eave overhangs with shaped rafter tails. The natural setting with its
views toward Monument Creek and the mountain ranges to the west played a primary role in determining the
design and orientation of the building. The Van Briggle Pottery Building is clearly visible in western views from
the Dodge-Hamlin House, which also displays several of van den Arend’s signature architectural elements. He
also designed the 1913 National Register-listed Young Women’s Christian Association Building in downtown
Colorado Springs (5EP.198, NRIS 79000602, 10 September 1979). The $100,000 building is noted for its
remarkably artistic facade design composed of buff brick and green terra cotta.

Van den Arend’s innovative and lavishly ornamented 1914 Marksheffel Motor Company Garage (demolished),
reportedly the largest garage in the country, housed a dealership specializing in Cadillac, Chalmers, and
Dodge automobiles, as well as departments selling used cars and tires and accessories. The reinforced
concrete building with pebble dash finish, whose photograph was featured in the November 1916 issue of
American Garage and Auto Dealer, displayed Mission-style shaped parapets, arched windows and Van Briggle
terra cotta ornaments, including three half-size depictions of motor cars, three name plates, and a central clock
with a decorative surround reading: “Love Makes Time Go; Time Makes Love Go.”

Van den Arend’s work on the grounds of the Dodge-Hamlin House was followed by another commission
requiring his landscape design skills. In 1917 the city dedicated a new municipal stadium constructed of
matched stone and brick in Monument Valley Park designed by van den Arend. Landscape architect W.G.
Sutherland of Boulder described the stadium as “one of the most artistic structures of its kind I ever saw.”
Sutherland noted the structure, whose stone walls incorporated tiered benches for spectators, harmonized with
the park and the mountains and “combines beauty and utility to a high degree.” The Colorado Springs Gazette
called it a “work of art.”

The architect’s great-grandson, Dave van den Arend, reported Nicolaas “was frustrated with people dictating to
him what he should be designing and not allowing him any artistic license in his work.” Alice Shinn, a
contemporary of van den Arend, concurred with this assessment, indicating that “…the architect had little
encouragement and he went away saying ‘Americans are afraid of color.’” About 1918 the van den Arends
moved from Colorado Springs. By 1920 they were living in Buncombe County, North Carolina (near Asheville),

222, 253, 311, and 350.
53 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 2 October 1910, 14.
54 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 4 June 1910, 5 and 3 May 1912, 5.
55 Architectural elements from the garage were incorporated into an entrance to the parking lot for the Penrose Branch of
the Pikes Peak Regional Library in Colorado Springs. Gazette (Colorado Springs), 25 February 1917, 21; American
Garage and Auto Dealer, November 1916, 37.
56 Gazette (Colorado Springs), 8 July 1917, 5.
58 Alice Shinn, “Anne Ritter: An Appreciation,” Copy from the B.E. Sutton Scrapbook, Crouch Collection, Box 14, File
Folder 7, Starsmore Center for Local History, Colorado Springs Pioneers Museum, Colorado Springs.
where Nicolaas took up farming and built a family home in Fairview. Dave van den Arend stated, “He became a gentleman farmer and built a quite lovely home on a piece of property there and raised laying hens, had an apple orchard and a vineyard.” Nicolaas van den Arend died in Fairview, on 2 February 1940.

**Clarence Clark Hamlin**

Clarence Clark Hamlin, publisher of the Colorado Springs Gazette and the Telegram, later the Gazette-Telegram, bought the residence in 1923. He was described as a “political leader in Colorado for nearly 40 years, Cripple Creek mining pioneer, one of the west’s best known attorneys, and a man of wide acquaintance with the nation’s leaders.”

Hamlin, who died in this house in 1940, was born in 1868 in Manchester, Iowa. He studied law at Iowa State University, graduating in 1890. For six years he operated a law office in Rock Springs, Wyoming, where he was twice elected to the state senate, becoming the youngest man to serve in the body up to that time.

In 1896 Hamlin moved to Colorado Springs, where he continued his career in the legal profession, as well as becoming an investor in mining and other industries. He served as manager and president of the Granite Gold Mining Co., “one of the larger Cripple Creek [District] properties.” Hamlin became president of the Midland Terminal Railway, the Beaver Water & Irrigation Company, and the Garden City Water & Irrigation Company. He was associated with the Holly Sugar Corporation and also owned a ranch near Garden City, Kansas. During strikes by the Western Federation of Miners at Cripple Creek at the turn of the century, he represented the operators and successfully fought unionization. In 1940 the Gazette credited him with stabilizing labor conditions in the mining camp for decades.

Hamlin associated with such Colorado Springs businessmen as Spencer Penrose, Charles M. O’Neill, Charles L. Tutt, and A.E. Carlton in several ventures. Hamlin was a close friend (perhaps from childhood) and business associate of Verner Z. Reed, whose house stood across the street on Wood Avenue. In 1904 the two toured Europe in Reed’s automobile. Reed left Hamlin the largest bequest in his will after those to his family. Hamlin represented many of these men in legal affairs and provided advice to their businesses. From 1905-09 Hamlin served as district attorney of the fourth judicial district of Colorado.

Hamlin married Seddie Gunnell, daughter of his early legal partner Judge A.T. Gunnell, in Colorado Springs in what was judged “an ultra-fashionable wedding” in 1898. She graduated from Christian College in Columbia, Missouri, and was described as “fond of music and the languages, speaking French fluently and possessing a high soprano voice of sweet quality.” Seddie Hamlin was a member of the Colorado Springs Musical Club and the Gazette called her “one of the most popular and accomplished young society women in this city.” The couple became parents of a daughter, Elizabeth G. Hamlin, who became a music teacher; a son, Clark Gunnell Hamlin, died unexpectedly at the age of one.

Clarence Hamlin became owner, editor, and consolidator of the Colorado Springs Gazette-Telegraph through acquisitions from Clarence P. Dodge. In 1903 he purchased the Evening Telegraph from Dodge, and later

[67] Gunnell had come to the city from Leadville only a year or two before Hamlin. Gazette (Colorado Springs), 31 October 1898, 8; Cripple Creek Times, 17 November 1898.
[69] Elizabeth Hamlin married Tor Hylbom, described as “one of the city’s most prominent musicians” in 1940. Gazette (Colorado Springs), 30 October 1940, A1: 1; Gazette (Colorado Springs), 23 October 1905, 5.
acquired the Gazette and the Herald from him. He ran the Gazette-Telegraph (now the Gazette) until his death in 1940. The El Pomar Investment Company and Charles L. Tutt became stockholders in Hamlin’s publishing company.

He was active in the Republican Party in Colorado Springs, as a candidate for the Senate in 1908, as committeeman on the executive committee of the Republican national committee during the 1920s, and as a delegate to the national convention many times. In 1924 the Ku Klux Klan gained control of Colorado’s Republican Party, causing Hamlin to denounce the divisions that enabled the group’s “candidates to win nominations without a majority of the vote.” Hamlin led the effort to defeat Klan candidates within the party, drawing wide attention. He was described as a close friend of Warren Harding, Calvin Coolidge, and Herbert Hoover, and dined with them in Washington many times. The Gazette judged him “almost the last of that great coterie of Colorado Springs’ great men who worked shoulder to shoulder in business and politics,” comparing him to Spencer Penrose, C.M. MacNeill, Eugene P. Shove, and A.E. Carlton. The newspaper concluded, “Few men in Colorado’s history added so much to the pages of accomplishment of lasting value as Clarence Hamlin.”

The Hamlin’s granddaughter, Ingrid Hetfield, recalled the house was in “the upscale part of town” and Clarence (or, as the family called him “C.C.”) “ran with a very fast crowd.” He was active in fraternal and social organizations, including the El Paso Club, Elks Club, Denver Club, Cheyenne Mountain Country Club, Cooking Club, and the Congressional Country Club in Washington, D.C. After their marriage, the Hamlins lived with her parents, Allyn and Elizabeth Gunnell, who owned a large house at 1126 North Tejon in Colorado Springs and employed a cook and a porter. The Hamlins continued to live in the Tejon Street house until purchasing their Wood Avenue residence from Clarence Dodge. At their new home, the family employed a Danish gardener to maintain the landscape (see Figures 4 and 5). The 1930 U.S. Census listed the family at 1122 Wood Avenue, with Clarence identified as a lawyer and daughter Elizabeth as a music teacher. Living with the Hamlins were a nephew, Jack Gunnell, and a cook, Bertha Bass. In the 1940 Census, Clarence was identified as an editor and publisher, and the couple lived in the house with the same cook (see Figure 6). Clarence Hamlin died at home on 29 October 1940, when the Gazette described him as a “publisher and political leader in the West for over 40 years.” Ingrid Hetfield recalls her grandmother lived in the house until about 1942, when she moved to a basement apartment at 1826 Wood Avenue.

**Colorado College**

In 1943, with a gift from El Pomar Foundation, the college acquired the then-vacant Hamlin property, which was located just north of a large vacant lot owned by the institution (see Figure 7). The Dodge/Hamlin house was utilized subsequently as a women’s residence, for classes, and as apartments for persons associated with the college (see Figures 8 and 9). A 1962 Sanborn fire insurance map indicates the house was divided into three apartments. The house continues to contain apartments primarily rented to faculty and occasionally to staff members. A classroom in the house is scheduled for use during every block of the school year.

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than one

(Do not include previously listed resource acreage.)

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UTM References (1927)

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)
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Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)
The nominated area is shown on the included to-scale sketch map. Colorado College re-subdivided its campus and historic blocks and lots no longer exist therein. The nominated area is a part of Lot 1 of The Colorado College West Campus Subdivision Replat, an area of roughly 34.3 acres.

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)
The nominated area includes almost all of the property historically associated with the Dodge-Hamlin House. A small area in the northwest corner now occupied by a 1980s college maintenance building is excluded.

11. Form Prepared By

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Submit the following items with the completed form:
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    A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.
  • Continuation Sheets
  • Additional items:  (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items.)

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County: El Paso State: Colorado

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