

Hupp Hotel

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12,000 years ago ... As the glaciers retreated at the end of the ice age, Paleo Indians including Clovis people traveled through this area hunting elk, deer, bison, and smaller animals.

6,000 years ago ... Ute Indians summered in the area, also hunting big game.

4,000 years ago ... Arapaho Indians summered in the area, hunting big game and catching eagles.

1860

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1860 ... The first known white settlers, Joel and Patsy Estes, took up residence.

1875

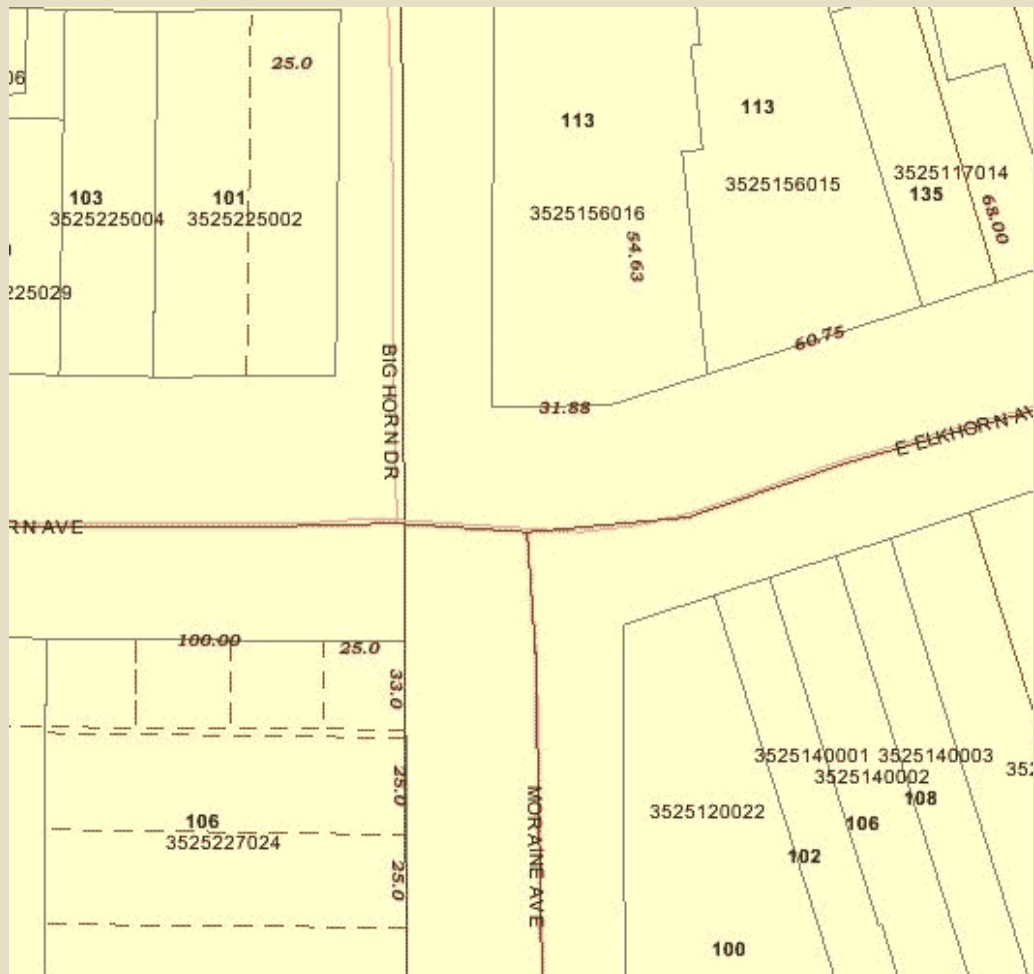
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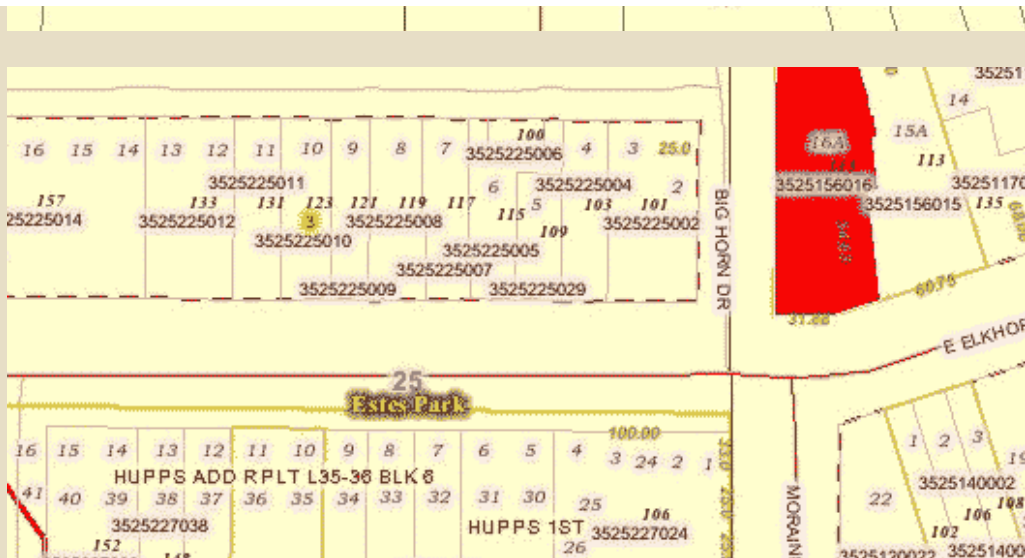
1875 ... The Hupp family homesteaded in Upper Beaver Meadows.

1893

Josephine Blinn (widower of Augustus Blinn) marries Henry Hupp, son "...of John and Eliza Hupp ..." who homesteaded in Beaver Meadows.

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The Indian Village

106 W. ELKHORN AVE
ESTES PARK 80517-0000

Year Built: 1901

Building ID: 10

Total Sq. Ft.: 15441

Subdivision #: //30006 - ESP BLK 6

Legal Description
LOTS 24 THRU 29, BLK 6, LESS PT LOTS 27

THRU 29 SOLD ON CONTRACT AS DESC IN 1194-235, HUPPS, EPK

Rocky Mountain tops

113 E. ELKHORN AVE
ESTES PARK 80517-0000

Year Built: 1920

Building ID 10

Total Sq. Ft.: 7585

Subdivision #: //30002 - ESP BLK 2

Neighborhood #: 360

Legal Description
LOT 16A, AMD LOTS 15, 16 & 17, BLK 2, 2ND AMD BLK 2, EP

1904 Jan 20

[Fort Collins Weekly Courier \(Fort Collins, Larimer County\):](#)

Henry Hupp et al to Wm. H. Hupp et al, se qr 29, w hf sw qr and s hf nw qr 29-5-70; \$1

1906

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1906 ... Josie Hupp built the twenty-three room Hupp Hotel on the corner of Elkhorn and Moraine.

1906

Indian Village -

"In 1906, Josie Hupp opened her 23 room Hupp hotel on the SW corner (SW corner is the current location of Indian Village) of what is now Elkhorn and Moraine Avenue with her sister-in-law, Ellen Hupp."

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1907 Sep 04

Indian Village - Candy store.

[Fort Collins Courier \(Fort Collins, Larimer County\):](#)

Louis Corbelle to Buck & Boyd, lot 32, block 6, Hupp add., Estes park; \$1,200.

1908

"For two years the Hupp enjoyed preeminence as the only hotel on Elk horn Avenue. ..."

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1908 June 8

Manford was bigger than Indian Village?

"...the new Manford Hotel, built by John J. Manford, joined the Hupp on Elkhorn Avenue. The Manford was located on the North East corner (current location of Rocky Mountain Tops) of Elkhorn and Moraine. (Sic) diagonally across from the Hupp Hotel. The Manford was bigger, with 50 rooms, and opened for the season on June 8, 1908. According to the Mountaineer (Estes Park's first, and very brief, newspaper), "the lower level contains the large dining room, ladies' parlor, gentleman's [sic] smoking room, office, etc. The upper floor is divided into guest rooms and commodious halls." it had 4 bathrooms and a sitting room. ...the Manford included a row of tents directly next to the hotel in case of overflow business."

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1908 Dec 25

Josie Hupp purchases Monford Hotel.

(Notice how it is spelled Monford not Manford)

[Longmont Ledger \(Longmont, Boulder County\):](#)

Mrs. Josie Hupp, the post mistress and the proprietor of the Hupp hotel bought out the Monford hotel last Saturday. Consideration \$16,000. Monford will move on his 80 acre ranch east of the park.

1908 "Josie Hupp ... purchased the Manford and immediately changed its name to the Hupp Annex. From 1908 until 1912, Elkhorn Avenue boasted two fine Hupp hotels, the original Hupp and the Hupp Annex."

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1909 Jan 06 Josie
Hupp
Purchase
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[Fort Collins Weekly Courier \(Fort Collins, Larimer County\):](#)

LOVELAND

From our special correspondent.
Jan. 5.—The Manford hotel in
Estes park has been purchased by
Mrs. Josie Hupp. This does not
mean a giving up of the Hupp hotel,
but an enlargement of accommoda-
tions for the business in which Mrs.
Hupp seems to be master of the sit-
uation.

Names it
The Hupp
Annex

1909 Oct 13 Lots 34 &
35, block
6

[Fort Collins Weekly Courier \(Fort Collins, Larimer County\):](#)

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS ...

Lot 18,
block 10

J. H. and E. T. Hupp to W. G. Ed-
wards, part lots 34 and 35, block 6,
Estes park; \$100.
Estes Park Town Co. to W. G. Ed-
wards, part lots 34 and 35, block 6,
Estes park; \$100.
J. H. Hupp to A. E. Bond, part lot
18, block 10, Estes park; \$1,300.

1910 Jul 21

[Fort Collins Weekly Courier \(Fort Collins, Larimer County\):](#)

**LOVELAND FILES
FORMAL COMPLAINT**

Health Officer Accuses Hupp Hotel at
Estes Park of Polluting the
Water Supply of Loveland.

1910 Jul 28

[Fort Collins Weekly Courier \(Fort Collins, Larimer County\):](#)

**CITY OF LOVELAND IS
COMPLAINANT IN CASE**

1910 Oct 06

[Fort Collins Weekly Courier \(Fort Collins, Larimer County\):](#)

HUPPS AGAIN CHARGED WITH WATER POLLUTION

1912 Apr 26 Lot 27
Block 10[Fort Collins Weekly Courier \(Fort Collins, Larimer County\):](#)

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Ellen
Hupp
sells to
Josie
Hupp

Ellen T Hupp to Josephine H
Hupp—L27 B10 Estes Park & other
land; \$3,000.

(3,000)

1912 May 03 Ryan
Purchased
Hupp
Hotel.[Fort Collins Weekly Courier \(Fort Collins, Larimer County\):](#)

HOTEL AT ESTES PARK BOUGHT BY FOREST RANGER

The Hupp hotel at Estes Park has been sold to Josephus Ryan, forest ranger. Mrs. Hupp, who owned the Hupp and the Hupp Annex, disposed of the former to Mr. Ryan and the transfer is to be made this week. Ryan has secured the service of Jos. Riker of Loveland to operate the hotel the name of which will be changed in a few days. Mr. Ryan will continue his work with the government turning the entire control of the acquired property over to Mr. Riker.

1912 May 03 Ryan [Fort Collins Weekly Courier \(Fort Collins, Larimer County\):](#)

Purchased
Hupp
Hotel.

**Joe Ryan has joined the million-
aire class. He has made a deal with
Mrs. Josie Hupp whereby he acquires
the Hupp hotel property on May 1
He has engaged Joe Riker and wife
of Loveland to manage the hotel for
him. Mrs. Hupp will run the annex.**

1912

"In 1912, shortly before the tourist season began, Josie sold the original Hupp to Estes Park resident Josephus Ryan, who changed the name of the Hupp to the Park Hotel. Across the street, the Hupp Annex (currently home of Rocky Mountain Tops) now became known popularly as simply the Hupp, although a formal name change did not take place until 1932."

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1912 Jun 12 [Fort Collins Weekly Courier \(Fort Collins, Larimer County\):](#)

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

**Josephine H Hupp and Harry E
Blinn to Addie A McCollister—pt NE
345-69; \$1.**

1912 Aug 30 Hupp
Hotel is
now Park
Hotel

[Fort Collins Weekly Courier \(Fort Collins, Larimer County\):](#)

**Fort Collins folks are making the
Park hotel, formerly the Hupp, their
headquarters while in Estes Park. It
is centrally located, has splendid beds
and good meals. C. H. Hillis, the
present manager, takes pleasure in
anticipating your wants. When in
the Park bear the above in mind.**

1913 Josie sells
Hupp
Annex. "In 1913 Josie sold the Hupp Annex to Cornelius Bond (of Bond Park fame) who owned the hotel for four years before selling it to William and Anna May Derby in 1917."

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1913 May 23 Harry must be Josie's brother - in - law?

[Fort Collins Weekly Courier \(Fort Collins, Larimer County\):](#)

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Estes Park Town Co. to Josephine H. Hupp and Harry E. Blinn, \$1; lot 27, Riverside sub. and lots in Al Fresco Place, Estes Park.

1913 June 13

"Estes Park Trail article reported: "The Hupp Hotel is under new management this year, having been purchased recently by C.H. Bond, one of the substantial men of Estes Park. It is managed by Mrs. Eva Benson, an experienced hotel woman, and provides service that is first-class in every respect."

Estes Park Trail Gazette - Trail Plus. April 2, 2004, Estes Park Community Profile by JJ Rutherford of the Estes Park Museum and Lizzy Scully - Hupp Hotel is a piece of history.

1913 Jul 11

[Fort Collins Weekly Courier \(Fort Collins, Larimer County\):](#)

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Josephine H. Hupp & Harry E. Blinn to Emma C. & Julien Hayden, \$600; lot 117, Alfresco Place, Estes Park.

1914 Dec 04

[Fort Collins Weekly Courier \(Fort Collins, Larimer County\):](#)

Delinquent Tax List / Larimer county ...

Schedule.....	NAME OF OWNER	Part of Section or Lot.....	Section or Block.....	Township, Town or City...	Range, Division or Addition	Valuation.....	Tax, Interest and Penalty
	20 a. res. in SMI ¼.....	35	5	69		180	5.09
2584	Hupp, W. F.—N ½ of NW ¼....	29	4	69			
	S ½ of NW ¼.....	29	4	69	½ tax	4,060	25.14

1915

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1915 ... Rocky Mountain National Park is established.

1915

"A mass meeting in 1915 following the dedication of Rocy Mountain National Park resulted in the decision to send Enos Mills off to Washington to ask Congress for appropriations for roads and trails in the new park."

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1916 Apr 07

[Fort Collins Weekly Courier \(Fort Collins, Larimer County\):](#)

**Mrs. Flora Wilson Swallows
Pint of Wood Alcohol.**

The Wilson home was near the main street of Estes Park village and in the rear of the Hupp hotel. They had lived there for about six years and had made many friends in the Park.

1916 Nov 10

[Fort Collins Weekly Courier \(Fort Collins, Larimer County\):](#)

Schedule	NAME OF OWNER	Part of Section or Lot..	Section or Block.....	Township, Town or City	Range, Division or Addi	Valuation	Tax, Interest and Penal
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ESTES PARK UNKNOWN LOTS

		Estes Park			
7573 1/2	W 22 ft of lots 24-25.....	6	do	Hupp's	500 6.74
7574	All, less fraction	7	do		1,920 24.56
7587	S 30 ft of lot 16	10	do		50 .84

1917

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1917 ... Town of Estes Park is incorporated.

- 1917 Hupp Annex is Sold Cornelius Bond sells the Hupp Annex "to William and Anna May Derby ... Under the Derby's ownership, the hotel continued to flourish."
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- 1922 Fire "... a fire at the Hupp was captured by the *Estes Park Trail*. Around 4 a.m., a maid at the Hupp smelled smoke, and notified the owner Anna May Derby."
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- 1923 Jul 17 [Fort Collins Courier \(Fort Collins, Larimer County\):](#)
Realty Report
Magers, Morton S.—Hupp, Josephine H. \$1,000 Pt B 3 Estes Park.
Hupp, Josephine H. —Magers, Morton S. \$1,000 L 109 and 110 Al Fresco Place Estes Park.
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- 1926 Fire remodel. "Having survived the fire, the hotel was enlarged and remodeled in the fall of 1926, including the addition of a sandwich shop. The living room was also enlarged. Just to keep things confusing, the Derbys also built an addition in 1926, which they decided to call "the Annex."
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- 1932 Nov Josie dies "In November 1932, Josephine Hupp died at the age of 75."
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- 1932 Hupp Annex is now just Hupp. Hupp Annex "formal name change" to simply Hupp Hotel. Currently the location of RMTops.
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- 1954 Indian Village Original Hupp Hotel - The Park Hotel "became the Indian Villiage"..."
Estes Park Trail Gazette - Trail Plus. April 2, 2004, Estes Park Community Profile by JJ Rutherford of the Estes Park Museum and Lizzy Scully - Hupp Hotel is a piece of history.
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- 1976 [Estes Park Library](#) -
1976 ... Big Thompson Flood.
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1982

[Estes Park Library](#) -

1982 ... Lawn Lake Flood.

1985 Dec

Bowers purchases Hupp Hotel - Opens Rocky Mountain Tops. A retail T Shirt Store.

Not sure why the Larimer county records claim :Year Built: 1920

1986 Jan

Bowers dies and leaves Rocky Mountain Tops to his wife Elizabeth Bowers.