

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

**Architectural Inventory
Form**

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Official eligibility determination
(OAHP use only)

Date _____ Initials _____

- Determined Eligible- NR
- Determined Not Eligible- NR
- Determined Eligible- SR
- Determined Not Eligible- SR
- Need Data
- Contributes to eligible NR District
- Noncontributing to eligible NR District

I. Identification

1. Resource number: 5ME.14745
2. Temporary resource number: 500.CED
3. County: Mesa
4. City: Grand Junction
5. Historic building name: n/a
6. Current building name: n/a
7. Building address: 500 Cedar Ave.
8. Owner name and address: Mark A Tidd
500 Cedar Ave Grand Junction, CO 81501-7428

II. Geographic Information

9. P.M. Ute Principal Meridian Township 1 South Range 1 West
NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of section 11
10. UTM reference
Zone 1 2 ; 7 1 0 6 3 2 mE 4 3 2 9 3 0 3 mN
11. USGS quad name: Grand Junction Quadrangle
Year: 1962 rev.1973 Map scale: 7.5' X 15' *Attach photo copy of appropriate map section.*
12. Lot(s): 6 & 7 Block: 2
Addition: Bookcliff Park Year of Addition: 1946
13. Boundary Description and Justification: Legal description of the site is: E 60ft Of Lot 6 +
W 35ft Of Lot 7 Blk 2 Bookcliff Park
Assessors Office Parcel ID # 2945-112-02-011
This description was chosen as the most specific and customary description of the site.

III. Architectural Description

14. Building plan (footprint, shape): Irregular Plan
15. Dimensions in feet: Length 102' x Width 44'
16. Number of stories: 1
17. Primary external wall material(s) (enter no more than two): Brick
18. Roof configuration: (enter no more than one): Gabled Roof
19. Primary external roof material (enter no more than one): Asphalt Roof
20. Special features (enter all that apply): Car port, Attached Garage, Porch, Chimney

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21. General architectural description: This masonry house is comprised of several rectangular volumes with moderately pitched gable roofs. The principal façade faces generally south and has a primary side gabled roof. A front gable form is attached to the west part of the roof plane and projects out over the entry porch. The roof projection is supported by three pairs of thin metal supports and the gable end is infilled with horizontal siding. The entry door is located on the main side gable wall, centered on the left side of the front gable form. A very large picture window is located on the remaining wall to the right. The porch has a concrete floor with two steps down to grade and a planter runs the width in front of the large picture window. A picture window sits on the far right end of the side gable wall and has a single casement attached to the right. The west façade has two picture windows on the end of the side gable form. A low pitched gable roof extends off the rear of the house; it is set well back from the west side. This wing includes a two car garage at its north end. A large rectangular chimney sits on the wall plane to the right of the garage doors and the remainder of the wall that runs to the back of the side gable is a screen of closely spaced wood vertical boards. It is not clear if this is the actual exterior wall enclosure or an open screen. In front of the garage is a large carport with a low pitched front gable roof. The roof is supported by two steel trusses that are anchored in the ground on the north side and cantilever over the car spaces. The trussed structure has a rigid frame of light tube steel with thin intermediate steel members. The geometry of the trusses form the roof shape. Another brick chimney sits off the rear of the main side gable, near the center. The roof has a moderate overhang throughout and the gable ends are infilled with horizontal siding. Triangular vents sit in the peak.
22. Architectural style/building type: Ranch Type
23. Landscaping or special setting features: The house sits on a corner lot with a large street tree and several shrubs that front the building. The driveway runs to the carport and garage on the north side, otherwise the yard is predominantly lawn.
24. Associated buildings, features, or objects: none

IV. Architectural History

25. Date of Construction: Estimate: 1952 Actual: _____
Source of information: Mesa County Assessors Office
26. Architect: unknown
Source of information: _____
27. Builder/Contractor: unknown
Source of information: _____

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28. Original owner: unknown
Source of information: _____
29. Construction history (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Front gable added at entry porch, replaces original flat roof and brick wing wall detail; dates unknown.
30. Original location Moved _____ Date of move(s): _____

V. Historical Associations

31. Original use(s): Domestic, Single Dwelling
32. Intermediate use(s): _____
33. Current use(s): Domestic, Single Dwelling
34. Site type(s): Residential Neighborhood
35. Historical background: M. Alton Cornelison is shown as owner in the directories of 1955 through 1957. 1955 is the first instance of this address in the available directories. This building is part of Bookcliff Park developed in 1946. The owners were Gertrude B. Smith, Claude D. Smith later the U. S. Bank of Grand Junction, and Thomas L. Brownson, Mabel L. Brownson, Bruce Brownson and Mary F. Brownson.
36. Sources of information: Mesa County Assessors Office; Museum of Western Colorado Archives; Polk Directories 1955, 1956, 1957

VI. Significance

37. Local landmark designation: Yes _____ No Date of designation: _____
Designating authority: _____
38. Applicable National Register Criteria:
 A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad pattern 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; or
____ 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
39. Area(s) of significance: Architecture, Community Development and Planning
40. Period of significance: 1952; 1943 to 1957 Uranium Boom

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41. Level of significance: National State Local
42. Statement of significance: The development in this area is a direct result of the nation's involvement in WWII and the drive for the development of nuclear weapons. The discovery of significant sources of Uranium in the region initiated development in Grand Junction that supported both the mining of the materials and the administration of programs related to the development of weapons. The building types, materials and neighborhood layout are all indicative of the national trends which were driven by the proliferation of the automobile and the enormous demand for single family homes. House designs departed from the romantic and revival styles that were prevalent in the earlier part of the 20th century and took on a California inspired design that was characterized by simple horizontally proportioned forms. Houses were typically mass produced on previously undeveloped tracts of land at the periphery of earlier development. These groups of houses were typically based on one or two plan types with a limited number of roof and exterior finish variations, further reinforcing the characteristics of mass production. In this particular subdivision there are examples of both repetitive house types and more high style individualized houses. The curvilinear street layout is characteristic of national planning trends and is unusual in this community, where new development tended to extend the existing street grid.
43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance: The alterations to the main façade have obscured original and unique details. Several other unique and character defining features are intact. Overall the house continues to contribute to the character of the neighborhood.

VII. National Register Eligibility Assessment

44. National Register eligibility field assessment:
Eligible Not Eligible Need Data
45. Is there National Register district potential? Yes No
Discuss: The Bookcliff Park Subdivision lies on the periphery of the historic city center and was originally established by single group of investors. The sites were built out to accommodate the rapid growth associated with the Uranium Boom over a short period of time. The architectural styles present in the area represent a significant concentration and continuity of dwellings and a subtle transition of styles over the building period. Few intrusions have been made into the original neighborhood and it retains a high level of integrity.
- If there is National Register district potential, is this building: Contributing
Noncontributing

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46. If the building is in existing National Register district, is it: Contributing _____
Noncontributing _____

VIII. Recording Information

47. Photograph numbers: Roll # 8 Frame # 6 & 8 see also digital image 500.CED
Negatives filed at: City of Grand Junction Planning Dept.

48. Report title: Grand Junction Phase 3 Survey 49. Date(s): March 2005

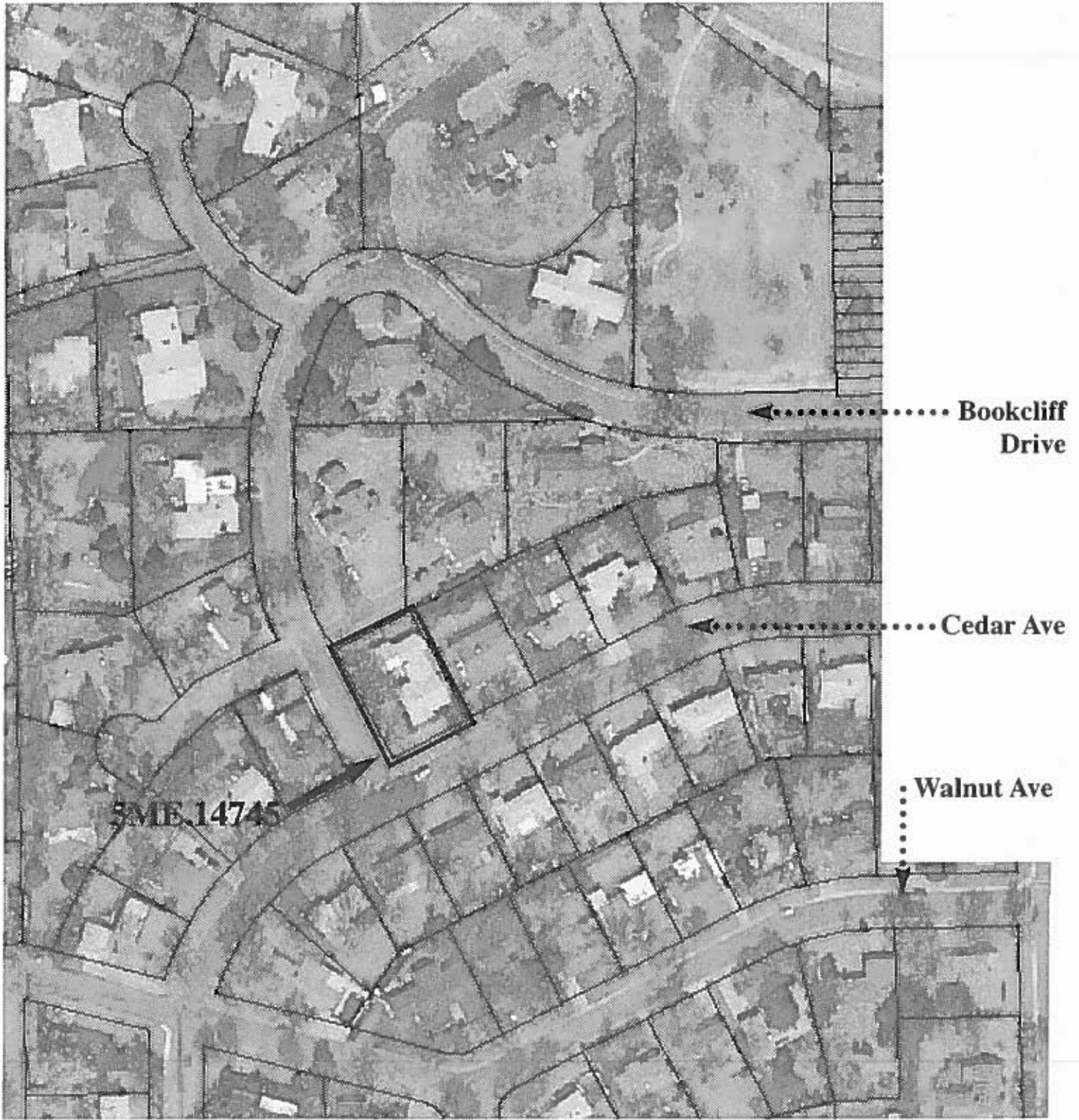
50. Recorder(s): Suzannah Reid, Patrick Duffield and Lydia Herron

51. Organization: Reid Architects, Inc.

52. Address: PO Box 1303 Aspen, Colorado 81612

53. Phone number(s): 970 920 9225

NOTE: Please attach a sketch map, a photocopy of the USGS quad. map indicating resource location, and photographs.
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1300 Broadway, Denver, CO 80203 (303) 866-3395



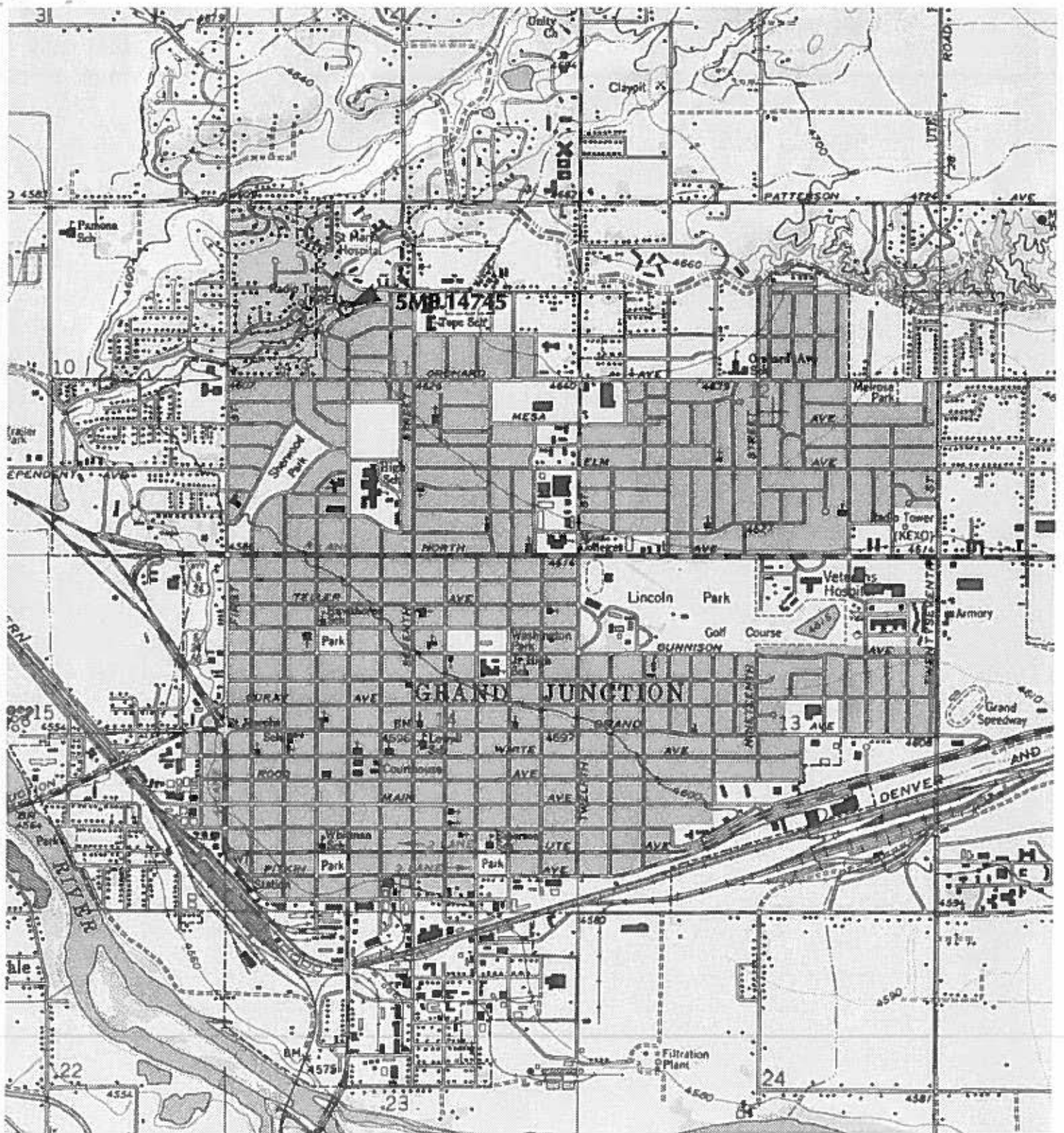
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Grand Junction, Colorado
image from 2002 aerial map

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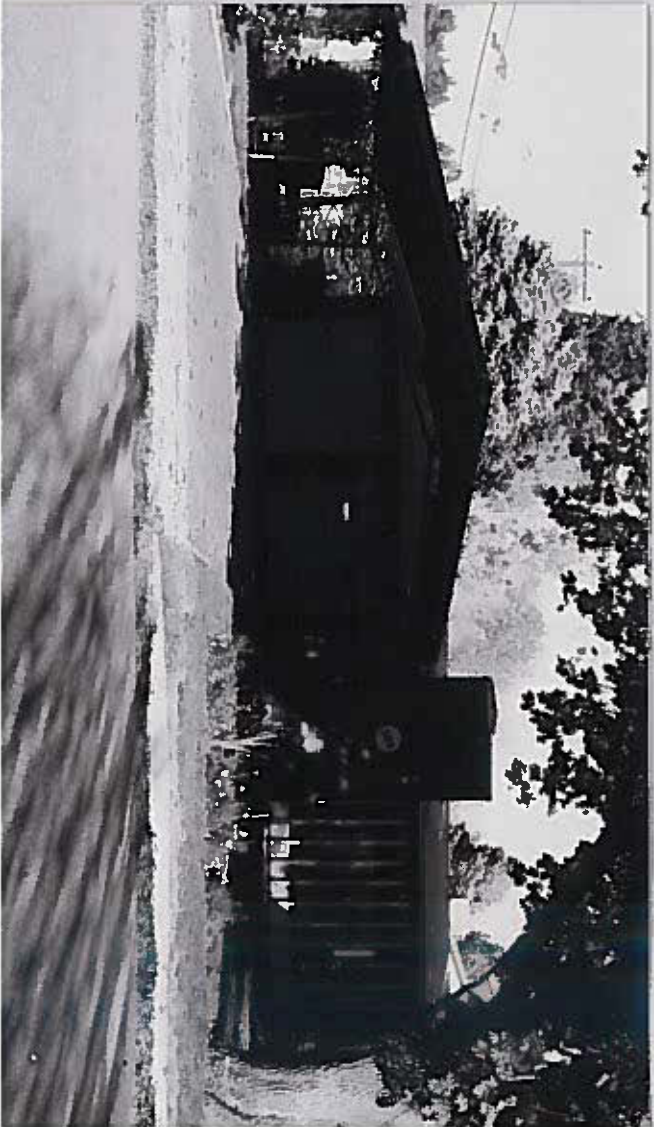


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Original frame # 500.CED

Looking northwest

Grand Junction, Mesa County, CO

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Roll # 8 Frame # 8

Looking northeast

Grand Junction, Mesa County, CO

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