

COLORADO HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation
1300 Broadway Denver, Colorado 80203

HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY RECORD

project name: Grand Junction Downtown Survey

county: Mesa city: Grand Junction

state ID no. 5ME 7139 temporary no.

current building name: Formal Affair

address: 555 Main, Grand Junction, CO 81501

owner: Donald Lally, 466 Ananessa Dr., Grand Junction,
81504

township: 1S range: 1W section: 14, NE 1/4, SW 1/4

historic name:

USGS quad name: Grand Jct., CO 1962 N3900-W10830 X 7.5' 15'

district name:

block: 117 lot(s) 14 addition: City

yr. of addition

film roll by: Marty Alexandroff no.

negative nos. 6942-00

location of negatives: City of Grand Junction

date of construction: _____ estimate 1900 actual

source: 1981 Historic Survey of City

use: commercial present
commercial historic

condition: _____ excellent X good _____ fair

deteriorating
extent of alterations: minor moderate X major

describe: display windows, door

style: Commercial

stories: 1

 X original moved date(s) of move:
materials: Brick

square footage: 3125

National Register Eligibility:

Individual: yes X no

Contributing to district: X* yes no

local landmark designation: _____ name _____ date

associated buildings? yes type:

if inventoried, list ID nos.

architectural description: One-story brick commercial structure with brickwork detail upper level. Display windows, two entries with glass doors and glass transom and wood kickplates. Clerestory has been covered and painted and has sign in the middle. It appears this building could be possibly be restored.

architect: unknown

source:

original owner: unknown

source:

builder/contractor: unknown

source:

theme(s): Plateau Country/commercial

construction history: (description, names, dates, etc. relating to major additions or alterations to original structure)
display windows and door

historic background (discuss important persons and events associated with this structure)

This structure is located within the original platted area of Grand Junction and was representative of the early 1900s town building.

In 1903 and ca. 1909-1930, real estate agent Horace DeLong paid the taxes on 555 Main-Part of the time he is listed as R. Officer (HTD). At various times, he represented Grand Junction Building and Loan, Bonita Valley Land co., Sterling Land & Investment Co., and Fruita Realty Co. In 1930, Modern Building & Load acquired the building, which it continued to own and occupy through the 1950's, Fred Mantey, Orloff Elision, Robert Magill, and A.O. Milne were among it officers. An extremely narrow building existed to the west of 555 for a number of years, but eventually the space between the buildings was filled in. Shoe shiner David Morris plied his trade at 553 ca. 1926-1931. The home of Citizens Finance Co., ca. 1930-1935, it later held Bulldog Radio Service co, then a photography studio.

significance: (check appropriate categories and briefly justify below)

architectural significance:	historic
significance:	
<input type="checkbox"/> represents the work of a master	<input type="checkbox"/> associated with significant persons
<input type="checkbox"/> possesses high artistic values	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> associated with significant events or patterns
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> represents a type, period or method of construction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> * contributes to an historic district

statement of significance:

Contributing, with qualifications; This structure is located within the original platted area of Grand Junction and was representative of the 1890s town building and simple brick structures on Main Street.

references (be specific)

1981 Historic Survey of City
Mesa County Assessor's Records

surveyed by: Marty Alexandroff affiliation: Winter &

Company

date: July, 1994

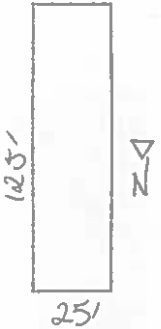
statement of significance:

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555 Main Street

Current Google Street View

July 2012