

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

HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY

SITE NO.: 5ME8238

Eligible for National Register yes no
date _____ initials _____
Criteria A B C D
Contributes to a potential National Register district
 yes no district name: _____

Eligible for State Register yes no
date _____ initials _____
Criteria a b c d e
Areas of significance: _____

Period of significance _____
Needs data date _____ initials _____

COUNTY: Mesa

CITY: Grand Junction

HISTORIC BUILDING NAME: Denslow, Belle, House

CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Williams Residence

LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: yes no

Date of designation: N/A
Designating authority: N/A

ADDRESS: 115 Ouray Ave., Grand Junction, Co 81501-2245

P.M.: UTE township: 1S range:1W
SW ¼ of SW ¼ of SW¼ of NW¼ of section 14

OWNER NAME & ADDRESS: Helen Williams, 115 Ouray Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-2245

UTM REFERENCE-12
Easting: 710225
Northing: 4327340

USGS QUAD NAME: Grand Junction

Year: 1962; photorevised 1973 7.5' 15'

STYLE: Vernacular Wood Frame

Block: 77
Lot(s): 3 and 4
Addition:
Year of addition:

BUILDING TYPE:

original location moved
Date of moves(s):

MATERIALS: Concrete Foundation - Wood Frame - Asphalt Shingle Roof

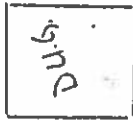
HISTORIC USE: Domestic
PRESENT USE: Domestic

STORIES: 1

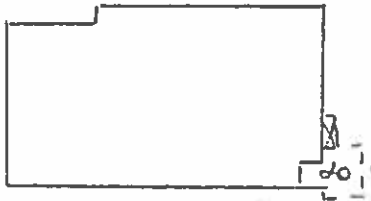
SQUARE FOOTAGE: 1392

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION- estimate: 1900 actual:
Source of information: Tax Assessor's Records

PLAN SHAPE:



north arrow →



ARCHITECT: Unknown
Source of information:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Unknown
Source of information:

ORIGINAL OWNER: James McGann
Source of information: Lot and Block Books

ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS- yes no
Type: 2 Car Garage

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One story with front gable on hip. Foundation skirted with siding. Three semi-circular steps with wrought iron railing. Small entry porch integral in the east corner of facade. Portico over steps has a valance with rows of hexagonal wood slats and two full height 4 x 4 posts. Screen door with round arch. Door in recessed entry is paneled with a large light. Windows around house are mainly double hung wood sash, three and four vertical lights over one. On facade, two small, three light, round arch windows flank fireplace chimney. Projecting shed roof bay on west facade has a pair of windows. Wing at rear has single light and steel casement windows. Gray wood shingle siding. Window surrounds, screen door, portico, frieze and cornices are white. Gray composition shingle roof with boxed eaves, cornices and raking cornices. Front gable on hip has louvered wood ventilator. Wire cut brick fireplace chimney on facade has rounded weatherings. Another chimney on west slope also is wire cut brick. Both have chimney pots.

Landscaped with lawn and large trimmed evergreens by facade. Row of large lilacs on east elevation.

Two car garage front gable, gray composition roll roof, gray wood shingle siding and two paneled wood doors. Alley access.

PHOTOGRAPHS (include photographs showing each side of building and any associated buildings)

Film roll no.: 24
Negative no.: 21

Photographer: Carolyn Howard
Location of negatives: City Of Grand Junction

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Portico over steps. Metal casement windows on rear. Additional construction or modifications not noted in Assessor's records.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): The house was first owned/occupied by James McGann, ca. 1900-1910. Belle Denslow, a nurse, was the owner/occupant ca. 1910-1919. Mary A. Stewart, widow of Joseph, was the absentee owner ca. 1919-1927. H.A. McReynolds was the absentee owner ca. 1930-1931, and Genevieve and Herman Bolden, a rancher, the tenants. Mary and Harold H. Hill, were the absentee owners ca. 1933-1940, and the residents and owners ca. 1941-1944. Helen and Thomas B. Williams, a grocer, were the owners/occupants ca. 1946-1951.

INFORMATION SOURCES (be specific): Plat Map, Appraisal Card, Lot and Block Books, Grand Junction City Directories.

SIGNIFICANCE (check appropriate categories)

Architectural significance:
 represents the work of a master
 possess high artistic value
 represents a type, period, or method of construction

Historical significance:
 associated with significant person(s)
 associated with significant event
 associated with a pattern of events
 contributes to an historic district

National Register eligibility:
 Individual yes no
 Criteria: A B C D
 Area(s) of significance: Architecture

Contributes to a potential district:
 yes no
 District name:

Period of significance: 1900

THEME(S):

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above): The round arch screen door and the fireplace chimney on facade with rounded weatherings flanked by two small round arch windows, is a harmonious design on the facade. Although not eligible for the National Register, this house may contribute to a local register.

INVENTORY COMPLETED BY: Museum Group Staff

DATE: 3/29/96

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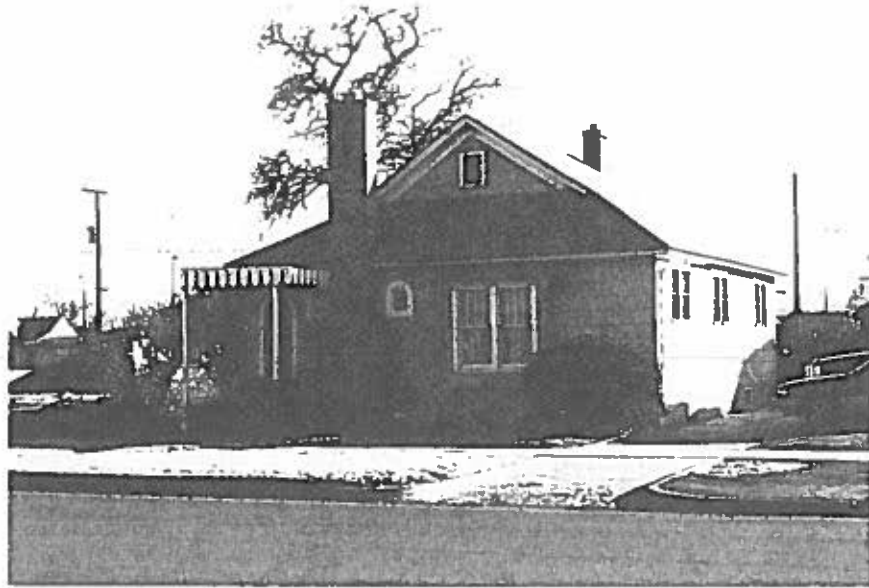
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PROJECT NAME: Grand Junction Historic Resources Survey, Phase 2



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