



**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:** Edwardian apartment house, two story with pyramid roof. Concrete steps with wrought iron railings lead up to full width porch with hip roof. West half of porch is enclosed, and has three windows. East half of porch is glazed. Half-wall with fishscale and notched shingles. Porch glazed with ribbons of single light windows. Front door is under portico with a fully pedimented gable. Gable, with sunburst pattern, is supported by two full height Tuscan columns. Tuscan columns are also on the east end of the porch. Wood stairs ascend halfway up west elevation to door for upstairs apartment. Wood balustrade. Windows around house are double hung wood sash, one-over-one. Second story windows have an upper sash with geometric muntins. Projecting bay on east elevation has hip roof. Light gray narrow lapped siding. Windows and door surrounds, corner boards, columns, cornices and friezes are white. Foundation and steps are dark gray. Principal roof is cedar shingles and porch roof is light green composition shingles. Hip roof domers on west and south slopes. Both have a small window flanked by louvered ventilators. Brick chimney at apex of pyramid roof.

Landscaped with lawn. Gravel and elm trees in parking area.

Two car, one and a half story, with front gable, gray drop siding, red corrugated metal roof, and contemporary metal garage doors. A porch with metal roof on west elevation of garage. Alley access.

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

Film roll no.: 22  
Negative no.: 18

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

**CONSTRUCTION HISTORY** (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Wood stairs on west elevation. Half of porch enclosed. Additional construction or modifications not noted in Assessor's records.

**HISTORICAL BACKGROUND** (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): The house is historically significant due to its association with early educator and financier, David T. Stone. It was initially owned and occupied ca. 1904-1907 by Thomas Osborn, the superintendent of the Smelting Company. W. E. Rhinehart, proprietor of the Grand Junction Feed and Implement Store, was the occupant and owner ca. 1908-1909. Caroline and David T. Stone were the owners/residents ca. 1912-1936. Jessie M. Blanchard, widow of Henry E., was the owner/occupant ca. 1937-1949.

Stone, David T. Born: 28 Oct. 1856 Died: 24 Nov. 1932 Married: Caroline L. Baker, 1892. Children: David Stone, Genevieve Stone; Education: Christian Brothers College, St. Louis.

The house is significant for its connection to occupants/owners Caroline and David T. Stone, who owned/resided in the house ca. 1912-1936. Stone was a well-known financier, community leader, and educator.

Stone began his local banking career as cashier of the Mesa County Bank. By 1903, he left that organization to organize the United States Bank and Trust Company. He served as cashier until 1913 when he was made president, a position he held some nine years after the bank merger with the Bank of Grand Junction. In 1925, the bank merged with the United States Bank and Trust to form the United States Bank of Grand Junction. Stone served as chairman of the Board of directors until his retirement in 1928.

Stone served as president of the Colorado Bankers Association, and was the first president of the Mesa County Banking Clearing House, a concept which originated in Mesa County. During World War I, Stone was highly involved in war work, serving as district chairman of the Liberty Loan Board. In that capacity, and as a financier, he was called to New York to confer with Otto Kahn and other notable financiers regarding the nation's banking policies. Stone was also an active member of the Democratic Party.

After his arrival in Grand Junction ca. 1886, Stone taught school. He then served as a principal, and by 1888 was Superintendent of Schools. He also served briefly as clerk of the District Court. Before moving into the house, Stone also helped organize the Redlands Irrigation and Power Company, and in 1910 was one of the 21 men who helped write the charter for the City of Grand Junction. The City was the first in the state to adopt this form of government.

**INFORMATION SOURCES** (be specific): Plat Map, Appraisal Card, Lot and Block Books, Grand Junction City Directories, 1981 Historic Survey of Grand Junction, Obituary Index. Grand Junction Daily Sentinel Newspaper, 25 Nov 1932, p1; 22 Nov 1932, p6; 28 Nov 1932, p3; 29 Nov 1932, p8. Museum of Western Colorado Research Library: "History of Colorado," Illustrated, 1919. "Progressive Men of Western Colorado," 1905. "Our First Fifty Years, Lodge 575" "1885 Colorado State Census" "A History and Description of Mesa County," 1886. Pat Gormley Collection, 1985.84, MWC.

**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; Economics

Contributes to a potential district:

yes  no

District name:

**THEME(S):**

Period of significance: 1900; 1914-1932

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above): Large, stately, Edwardian style house which maintains its basic style despite its use as an apartment. This house should be considered for addition to the National Register at the state level due to its connection to financier and pioneer educator David T. Stone.

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