

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

HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY

SITE NO.: 5ME8304

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

COUNTY: Mesa

CITY: Grand Junction

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

HISTORIC BUILDING NAME: Borschell, Alvin, House

Period of significance _____
Needs data date _____ initials _____

CURRENT BUILDING NAME: White Residence

LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: yes no

ADDRESS: 616 Belford Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-2718

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

P.M.: UTE township: 1S range: 1W
SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of section 14

OWNER NAME & ADDRESS: Glen A. White, 616 Belford Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-2718

UTM REFERENCE-12
Easting: 710925
Northing: 4327930

USGS QUAD NAME: Grand Junction

Year: 1962; photorevised 1973 7.5' 15'

STYLE: Queen Anne

Block: 6
Lot(s): 27 and 28 E2 of 29
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: 1.5

SQUARE FOOTAGE: 1607

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION- estimate: 1907 actual:
Source of information: Tax Assessor's Records

PLAN SHAPE:

north arrow



Shed

Shed



ARCHITECT: Unknown

Source of information:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Unknown

Source of information:

ORIGINAL OWNER: Alvin Borschell

Source of information: Lot and Block Books

ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS- yes no

Type: 2 Metal Sheds

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One and a half story with gable on hip roof with cross gables. Concrete foundation. Concrete steps lead to screened porch with hip roof extending across facade. Flush siding on half-wall. Four squared full height posts across porch. A four foot, brown louvered shutter is over the upper part of the posts. Wood screen door. Front door is flush with three vertical lights. Windows around house are mostly replaced with large single lights. On west elevation there are small, high pairs of single light sliders in metal frames. Cutaway bay with gable on east elevation has two picture windows. Window in middle face now replaced with siding. Light green composition shingle roof with boxed eaves with cornices. A gabled wing on east facade is pedimented with a kick. It has a small, single light window and a small ventilator. East elevation gable also is pedimented with a kick. Near the of the hip of the principal roof are gables, front and rear, with small louvered ventilators. Dormer walls and all gable faces have wood diamond shingles. A shed roof dormer on the west slope has eaves close to the wall and a ribbon of three single light windows filling the face. Shed roof open porch across rear. Brick chimney on the north slope.

Yard and parking area are covered with rocks, driftwood and some vertical, red flagstones. Compact, trimmed evergreens across facade. East yard has some lawn, forsythia, cactus, yucca and locust trees. Closely trimmed locust trees in other parts of lawn and in parking area. Basketweave wood fence around backyard.

Two metal storage sheds at rear.

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

Film roll no.: 30

Negative no.: 7

Photographer: Carolyn Howard

Location of negatives: City Of Grand Junction

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Fiberglass open porch added, 1984. Windows, metal shed roof porches across 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 ca. 1907-1910 by Alvin Borschell, assistant postmaster, and then a bookkeeper at Grand Valley National Bank. During the absentee ownership of Lincoln Wickersham, ca. 1914-1918, the value of the improvements tripled. Effie and Walter D. Lee, a railroad conductor, were the owners ca. 1919-1938. They were listed as residing in the house ca. 1926, and from ca. 1930-1938. F. B. and Montie Pinkstaff were the tenants ca. 1928. Alice and Norton W. Smith, a railroad trainman, were the owners/occupants ca. 1939-1943. Daisy May and J. C. Seaman were the owners/occupants ca. 1944-1946, and the absentee owners ca. 1947.

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

National Register eligibility:

Individual yes no

Criteria: A B C D

Area(s) of significance: Architecture

Period of significance: 1907

Historical significance:

associated with significant person(s)

associated with significant event

associated with a pattern of events

contributes to an historic district

Contributes to a potential district:

yes no

District name:

THEME(S):

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above): The gable on hip roof, and the diamond shingles on gable faces, are unusual on this late Queen Anne. Although not eligible for the National Register, this house may contribute to a local register.

INVENTORY COMPLETED BY: Museum Group Staff

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PROJECT NAME: Grand Junction Historic Resources Survey, Phase 2



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