

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One and a half story with cross gable. West facade has a large cross gable. Two semi-circular concrete steps lead to arched top, batten door with small light on entry wing. Screen door. East eave of entry gable is a flared catslide. Front gables have decorative half-timbering. Gable on rear slope. Windows are four vertical lights over one, double hung wood sash. White stucco walls and blue-gray trim. Fireplace chimney on facade is stucco, with random inset red brick. Red composition shingles on steep roof. Eaves close to the wall. Rake boards. Landscaped with lawn.
Garage at rear, ca. 1930, is white stucco, with front gable and a flared catslide eave, batten swinging doors and wrought iron hinges.

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

Film roll no.: 3
Negative no.: 15

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

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Metal frame storm windows. Additional construction or modifications not noted in Assessor's Records.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): The residence of William R. McPherson, superintendent of the Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad, ca. 1931-1936. Earl T. Marsden, a building contractor, purchased the house ca. 1937, and lived there until his death in 1959.

INFORMATION SOURCES (be specific): Appraisal Card, Ownership Card, Lot and Block Books, Obituary Index, Daily Sentinel Newspaper, Grand Junction City Directories, 1981 Historic Survey of Grand Junction.

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: 1930

THEME(S):

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above): Tudor details are noted on this house and garage. Although not eligible for the National Register, this house may contribute to a local register or conservation district.

INVENTORY COMPLETED BY: Museum Group Staff

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