

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One story, side hip on gable and battered foundation. Concrete steps and stoop lead to portico with hip on gable, supported with heavy knee braces. Entry through French door. Windows are primarily eight light, wood casement. A fixed sash, with sixteen lights on east facade, flanked by casements. White false bevel siding and gray trim. Red composition shingle roof, with knee braces and bargeboards with pointed tails. Brick chimney on ridge. Greenhouse on west facade added in 1940's.

Landscaped with lawn, beds of annuals and bulbs, large rose bushes on facade and east elevation. Large ash tree in parking area. Fenced back yard with many iris. Peach trees along back fence.

Original two car garage at rear, ca. 1929, with false bevel siding, side gable, and false bevel sided garage doors.

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

Film roll no.: 5
Negative no.: 20

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

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Greenhouse added to west facade. Additional construction or modifications not noted in Assessor's Records.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): Paige, Dr. Russell A.: Born: 21 March 1901, Iowa. Still alive: 1995. Married: Lillian Drew, 5 Dec. 1926. Children: Marilyn Schorn, Linda Dunn, and Alston Paige. Education: Grand Junction HS, Colorado State University. Career while in house (1939-1946): Pioneer veterinarian in practice with father-in-law, Dr. Alston P. Drew. When Dr. Paige completed his education and came back to Grand Junction in 1926, he was one of only two veterinarians in Western Colorado. When Paige moved into the house, they were still the only local vets listed.

INFORMATION SOURCES (be specific): Appraisal Card, Lot and Block Books, Obituary Index, Grand Junction City Directories, 1981 Historic Survey of Grand Junction. Daily Sentinel Newspaper: June 1980. MWC Archival Collection.: R.A. Paige Biographical File, Oral History Tape #72

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: Health And Medicine

Contributes to a potential district:

yes no

District name:

THEME(S):

Period of significance: 1929

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above): When Dr. Russell A. Page completed his education and returned to Grand Junction in 1926, he joined his father-in-law Dr. Alston P. Drew in the only veterinary practice in Western Colorado. Veterinarians were particularly important to cattlemen and ranchers as agriculture was the number one industry in the regional economy. This Bungalow is in excellent original condition. A greenhouse and extensive landscaping add to the setting.

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