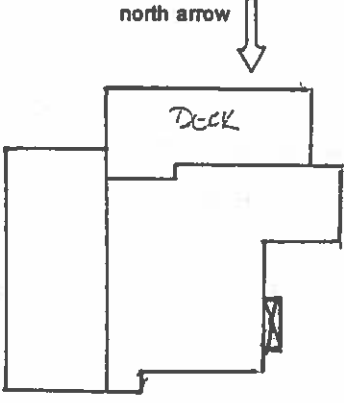


<b>COLORADO HISTORICAL SOCIETY</b> Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation 1300 Broadway Denver, CO 80203  <b>HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY</b>		SITE NO.: 5ME7634
		Eligible for National Register <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no date _____ initials _____ Criteria <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D Contributes to a potential National Register district <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no district name: _____
COUNTY: Mesa	CITY: Grand Junction	Eligible for State Register <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no date _____ initials _____ Criteria <input type="checkbox"/> a <input type="checkbox"/> b <input type="checkbox"/> c <input type="checkbox"/> d <input type="checkbox"/> e Areas of significance: _____
HISTORIC BUILDING NAME: Snyder, Doris, House		Period of significance _____ Needs data <input type="checkbox"/> date _____ initials _____
CURRENT BUILDING NAME:		LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no  Date of designation: N/A Designating authority: N/A
ADDRESS: 521 Highway 50 South, Grand Junction, CO 81503-1908		P.M.: UTE township: 1S range:1W NW ¼ of NW ¼ of NE¼ of NW¼ of section 26
OWNER NAME & ADDRESS: Sherwood Snyder, P.O. Box 1016, Grand Junction, CO 81502-1016		UTM REFERENCE-12 Easting: 710710 Northing: 4324710
		USGS QUAD NAME: Grand Junction  Year: 1962; photorevised 1973 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7.5' <input type="checkbox"/> 15'
STYLE: English/Norman		Block: None Lot(s): Beg 166.6' S + 166.6'E of NW cor NE4NW4 sec26 1S 1W E51.68' to sly row of + Addition: Year of addition:
BUILDING TYPE:		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original location <input type="checkbox"/> moved  Date of moves(s):
MATERIALS: Concrete Foundation; Wood Frame; Asphalt Shingle Roof		HISTORIC USE: Domestic  PRESENT USE: Domestic
STORIES: 1.5	SQUARE FOOTAGE: 1475	DATE OF CONSTRUCTION- estimate: 1935 actual: Source of information: Tax Assessor's Records
PLAN SHAPE:  <div style="text-align: center;">                     north arrow   </div>		ARCHITECT: Unknown  Source of information:
		BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Unknown  Source of information:
		ORIGINAL OWNER: Doris A. Snyder  Source of information: Grantor/Grantee Index
		ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS- <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no  Type:

**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:** One story with cross gables and concrete foundation. Concrete front steps and stoop with wrought iron railings lead to batten front door with four small lights. Head of door surround has a segmental arch curve. Short gabled wing on east facade has steep gable, with the west catslide coming down to within two feet of stoop floor. Windows are double hung, wood sash, four-over-four, and six-over-six. White clapboard siding with light blue trim on door and window surrounds and eave boards. Stoop and step are painted red. Composition shingle roof. Eaves close to the wall. Eyebrow curve in eave over front door. Brick chimney on ridge. Brick fireplace on west gable wall.  
Sidewalk divides in front of steps and curves toward east and west. The west gable and fireplace chimney are mantled with vines. Evergreens and deciduous bushes along facade. A large spruce on east and west side of facade.

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

Film roll no.: 9  
Negative no.: 12

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

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

**HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building):** Orchard Mesa is a triangle of desert land between the Gunnison and Colorado Rivers and the Grand Mesa. By 1890, orchards were planted by homesteaders as they settled into the area. Today, the orchards are receding under the pressure of subdivisions.

Constructed ca. 1936, the home was first owned by Doris and "W. H." Jack Snyder. The Snyders were owners of Colorado Survault Company and he was Mesa County Coroner for over 25 years. Mrs. Snyder taught first aid throughout western Colorado. The Snyders resided here until their deaths, Mr. Snyder in 1975, and Mrs. Snyder in 1990. Through the early 1950s it is difficult to determine where residents lived on Orchard Mesa as numbered street addresses did not appear in the Grand Junction City Directories with any regularity. Grand Junction did not begin to annex Orchard Mesa into the City until 1966.

**INFORMATION SOURCES (be specific):** Plat Map, Subdivision Map, Appraisal Card, Ownership Card, Grantor and Grantee Indexes, 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:** 1935

**THEME(S):**

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above):** This house is one of the first built along the new alignment of U.S. 50 in 1935. Rural Orchard Mesa began to attract more houses along the new highway. This English/Norman is in original shape. It is the best example of the style in this district, with steep gables, catslide roof, multi-pane windows, and "eyebrow" curve in the eave over the door. The house is significant for its trend setting site along the new highway, and its definite style.

**INVENTORY COMPLETED BY:** Museum Group Staff

**DATE:** 2/14/96

**AFFILIATION:** Museum of Western Colorado

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