

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

HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY

SITE NO.: 5ME7780

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

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

COUNTY: Mesa

CITY: Grand Junction

Period of significance _____
Needs data date _____ initials _____

HISTORIC BUILDING NAME: Matthews, Thomas, House

LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: yes no

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

CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Thayer Residence

ADDRESS: 927 Grand Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-3450

P.M.: UTE township: 1S range:1W
NW ¼ of NW ¼ of NE¼ of SE¼ of section 14

OWNER NAME & ADDRESS: Steven B. Thayer, 927 Grand Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-3450

UTM REFERENCE-12
Easting: 711400
Northing: 4327210

USGS QUAD NAME: Grand Junction

Year: 1962; photorevised 1973 7.5' 15'

STYLE: Queen Anne

Block: 86
Lot(s): 7 and 8
Addition:
Year of addition:

BUILDING TYPE:

original location moved
Date of move(s):

MATERIALS: Concrete Foundation - Wood Frame - Asphalt Shingle Roof

HISTORIC USE: Domestic
PRESENT USE: Domestic

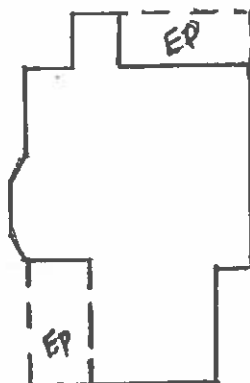
STORIES: 1

SQUARE FOOTAGE: 1081

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION- estimate: 1904 actual:
Source of information: Tax Assessor's Records

PLAN SHAPE:

north arrow



ARCHITECT: Unknown
Source of information:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Unknown
Source of information:

ORIGINAL OWNER: Frank A. Honecker
Source of information: Lot and Block

ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS- yes no
Type: Garage/Shed

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: Remodeled, one story with hip roof with cross gables. Battered foundation is skirted with siding. Concrete steps and stoop have concrete piers and lead to sunporch/entry along east side of front wing. Flared catslide porch roof is extended from the roof of the front wing. Porch half-wall has siding. French door on porch is flanked by sidelights. Glazing is a ribbon of double hung wood sash windows, four vertical over one on the east elevation. Windows around house are double hung wood sash, one-over-one. Facade has a large fixed sash window with twenty panes. Cutaway bay on east elevation with gable roof. Yellow simple drop siding. Gables also have siding and wood louvered ventilators. Narrow brown cornice on window surround heads. Green composition shingle roof. Boxed eaves and cornices. Gable on facade and pedimented gable on east elevation have narrow brown trim on cornice. Brick chimney on west slope.

Some evergreens by facade. Two elm trees in parking area.

One car garage with front gable, cedar shingle roof, yellow simple drop siding, and swinging batten doors on north and west elevation. Also a small storage building by alley with same siding and roof materials as garage.

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

Film roll no.: 17

Negative no.: 8

Photographer: Carolyn Howard

Location of negatives: City Of Grand Junction

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Re-roofed in 1985. Flared roof, and facade window, are remodeled.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): The first resident/occupant of this house, ca. 1904-1907, was Frank Honecker, a stonecutter with J. J. Lumsden. James Murphy was the absentee owner from ca. 1908-1921. The occupants during that time are not known. Rossy and Guy L. Richardson, proprietor of Richardson Drug were owners/occupants ca. 1922-1923. Genevieve and Thomas Matthews, railroad conductor/brakeman, owned and resided in the house ca. 1924-1936. Ethel and George Christensen, manager of the Gamble Store, were the owners/occupants ca. 1937-1941. Dorothy and J. F. Marriott, a piano tuner, owned/resided in the house ca. 1941-1953.

INFORMATION SOURCES (be specific): Plat Map, Appraisal Card, Lot and Block Books, 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:

THEME(S):

Period of significance: 1904

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above): A Queen Anne style house which was remodeled probably in the 1920s to reflect new architectural details. The flared roof, sunporch and battered foundation are incorporated quite well. The multi-pane facade window appears to be from the 1940s. Although not eligible for the National Register, this house may contribute to a local register.

INVENTORY COMPLETED BY: Museum Group Staff

DATE: 2/14/96

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