

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: Two story duplex with hip roof. Two sets of concrete steps, with white wood railing lead up to screened porch with shed roof on center of facade. Porch has half-wall of vertical siding. Both ends of porch are completely walled with vertical siding. A full height squared column on each corner and middle of porch is fluted. Front doors are paneled with large single lights. Screen doors with white metal frames. Windows are double hung wood sash, one-over-one. Siding is large asbestos shingles painted gray. Door and window surrounds, porch columns, screen doors, step railings are white. Foundation is skirted with siding. Light green composition shingle roof with flared eaves and shaped exposed rafter ends. Two brick chimneys at each end of hip ridge.

Landscaped with lawn, low brick planter across porch facade, and saplings in parking.

Two story, two car garage with swinging batten doors and alley access. Outside wood stairs on west elevation lead to second story screened sleeping porch. Screen walls are now covered with green corrugated fiberglass sheets. Green drop siding and green composition roof.

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

Film roll no.: 15
Negative no.: 14

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

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

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): The first owners/occupants of this duplex, ca. 1907-1927, were Mary and James P. Hynes, vice president of the Mesa Flour Mill. The Hynes also owned the house ca. 1927-1930, and from ca. 1935-1937. Sabina and William Brown, a railroad engineer, rented the house from the Hyneses, ca. 1928-1931, and were owners/occupants ca. 1931-1932. Rose and John S. Hynes, Grand Junction Fire Chief/City Weighmaster, ca. 1910-1931, also lived here ca. 1928-1931. Minnie, a nurse, and W. L. Reeves, president of Specification Motor Oil System, were the residents/owners ca. 1937-1950.

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:

Period of significance: 1907

THEME(S):

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above): Duplexes were not often built in early Grand Junction. This example offers two spacious units. The most distinctive aspect of the building is the roof, with Craftsman details in the flared hip roof and with its shaped, exposed rafters. Although not eligible for the National Register, this house may contribute to a local register.

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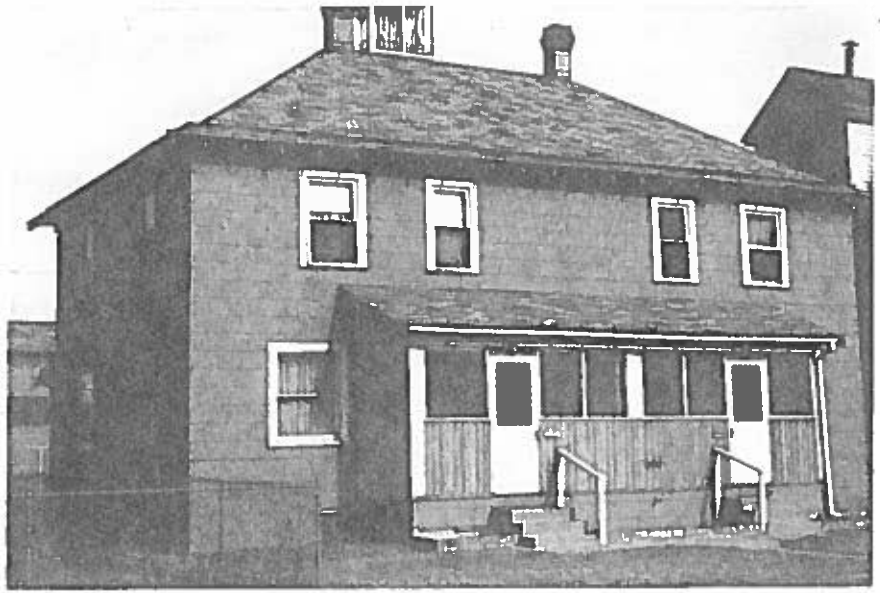
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