

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

HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY

SITE NO.: 5ME7843

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

COUNTY: Mesa

CITY: Grand Junction

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

HISTORIC BUILDING NAME: Shaw, Jason S., House

Period of significance \_\_\_\_\_  
Needs data  date \_\_\_\_\_ initials \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Christensen Residence

LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION:  yes  no

ADDRESS: 1133 Ouray Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-3333

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

OWNER NAME & ADDRESS: W.D. Christensen, 1133 Ouray Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-3333

P.M.: UTE township: 1S range:1W  
SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of section 14

UTM REFERENCE-12  
Easting: 711710  
Northing: 4327300

USGS QUAD NAME: Grand Junction

Year: 1962; photorevised 1973  7.5'  15'

STYLE: Edwardian

Block: 67  
Lot(s): 9 and 10  
Addition:  
Year of addition:

BUILDING TYPE:

original location  moved

Date of moves(s):

MATERIALS: Mud Sills - Wood Frame - Asphalt Shingle Roof

HISTORIC USE: Domestic

PRESENT USE: Domestic

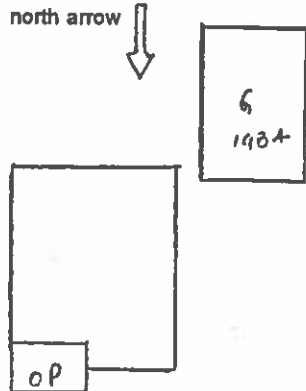
STORIES: 1.5

SQUARE FOOTAGE: 784

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION- estimate: 1910 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: Francis LaGrange

Source of information: Lot and Block

ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS-  yes  no

Type: Garage

**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:** One and a half story, with front gable and cross gables. Wood steps with wood railing lead up to screened porch integral in east half of facade. Porch also projects 5' and has shed roof. Wainscoting on half-wall. Screen door. Full height Tuscan columns on porch corners. Front door is paneled and has a very large light. Windows are double hung wood sash, one-over-one, and have storm windows with metal frames. Gray narrow lapped siding, gray foundation. Doors and window surrounds, columns, corner boards, water table, steps, door, friezes, string course, and cornices are white. Gray composition shingle roof with boxed eaves. Large gabled wall dormers on east and west elevation. Front gable has return cornices. Above string course to apex of gable faces is gray cedar shingle siding. Brick chimney on ridge of east dormer.

Landscaped with lawn, rose hedge along east, and ash trees in parking area.

One car garage with front gable, gray composition shingle roof, gray simple drop siding, and contemporary door. Alley access.

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

Film roll no.: 34  
Negative no.: 16

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 on Assessor's Records.

**HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building):** The first owner/occupant, ca. 1908-1909, was Anthony Fidell, a farmer. Francis LaGrange, Rose Tea and Coffee Store, who owned the house ca. 1910-1914, lived there only ca. 1910-1911. Margaret and James Scott Shaw, one of Grand Junction's earliest automotive dealers, owned/occupied the house ca. 1915-1927, and from ca. 1929-1937. Following J.S. Shaw's death in 1932, Margaret, occupied the residence until ca. 1952, inhabiting it until then with daughter Wilma and son Harold.

**INFORMATION SOURCES (be specific):** Plat Map, Appraisal Card, Lot and Block Books, Grand Junction City Directories, 1981 Historic Survey of Grand Junction, Obituary Index, Grand Junction Daily Sentinel Newspaper, 28 May 1932, p1.

**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: 1910

THEME(S):

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above):** An Edwardian style house with a noticeable roof, with its large wall dormers and gables. One of two houses in the neighborhood with an integral porch, which also projects 5'. This house should be considered for inclusion on a local register for its association with J.S. Shaw.

INVENTORY COMPLETED BY: Museum Group Staff

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PROJECT NAME: Grand Junction Historic Resources Survey, Phase 2



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