

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

HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY

SITE NO.: 5ME7848

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: Wood, Wyatt W., House

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

CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Clare Residence

LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: [ ] yes [X] no

ADDRESS: 1135 Chipeta Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-3352

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

OWNER NAME & ADDRESS: R.D. Clare, 1135 Chipeta Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-3352

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

UTM REFERENCE-12  
Easting: 711710  
Northing: 4327450

USGS QUAD NAME: Grand Junction

Year: 1962; photorevised 1973 [X] 7.5' [ ] 15'

STYLE: Bungalow

Block: 66  
Lot(s): 9 and 10  
Addition:  
Year of addition:

BUILDING TYPE:

[X] original location [ ] moved

Date of moves(s):

MATERIALS: Concrete Foundation - Wood Frame - Asphalt Shingle Roof

HISTORIC USE: Domestic

PRESENT USE: Domestic

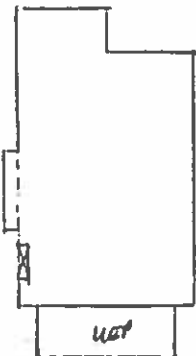
STORIES: 1

SQUARE FOOTAGE: 1244

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION- estimate: 1923 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: Wyatt Wood

Source of information: Lot and Block

ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS- [X] yes [ ] no

Type: Garage

**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:** One story with front gable. Concrete steps lead up to sunporch/entry with shed roof extending across most of facade. Entry is on east end of porch. Glazing is ribbons of very large single lights. Front door is paneled, with one large light. Windows are double hung wood sash, five vertical lights over one. Projecting bay on east elevation has gabled roof. White false bevel siding. Door and window surrounds, bargeboards, knee braces are blue. Concrete foundation is painted gray. Near foundation, siding is flared. Gray composition shingle roof. Knee braces under corners of wide eaves. Bargeboards have shaped tails. Roof beam under apex of gable. Front gable face has white cedar shingles, and a pair of casement windows with twelve lights each. Brick, full height, fireplace chimney on east eave wall.

Landscaped with lawn, ground ivy along porch facade, and roses along east driveway. Huge fir in parking area. Wood fence around backyard. One car garage at rear with front gable, gray composition shingle roof, white simple drop siding, and batten swinging door.

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

Film roll no.: 33  
Negative no.: 19

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 1988. Unknown if material change.

**HISTORICAL BACKGROUND** (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): This residence, constructed ca. 1923, was owned and occupied by Ethel and Wyatt Wood until his death in 1985. Wood, Wyatt M. Born: 7 Nov. 1886. Died: 4 July 1985. Married: Nancy Ethel Lynch 21 May 1911. Children: Dr. Wyatt Wood, Jr. and Nancy Semmens. Wyatt Wood was secretary-manager of the Grand Junction Chamber of Commerce from 1921 until his retirement in 1953. During his career with the Chamber, he was active in a number of significant development projects. These included working with trail builder John Otto to open the Colorado National Monument for visitation, federal designation of through highways, and establishment of coast to coast air service. Locally, Mr. Wood organized a chamber-sponsored county fair and the annual band day tournament. For many years Wood, also a photographer and writer, promoted the Chamber through Western Colorado Wonderland, a booklet he conceived and produced for many years.

**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: Community Planning  
 And Development

**Contributes to a potential district:**  
 yes  no  
 District name:

Period of significance: 1923

THEME(S):

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE** (briefly justify the significance checked above): Bungalow with its original style elements. Front gable has a roof beam at the apex which is a rarity. This house should be considered for eligibility to the National Register due to its association with Wyatt W. Wood. Mr. Wood, secretary-manager of the Grand Junction Chamber of Commerce for 32 years, was a significant promoter of Grand Junction and of Western Colorado during his career with the Chamber.

INVENTORY COMPLETED BY: Museum Group Staff

DATE: 3/29/96

AFFILIATION: Museum of Western Colorado

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PROJECT NAME: Grand Junction Historic Resources Survey, Phase 2

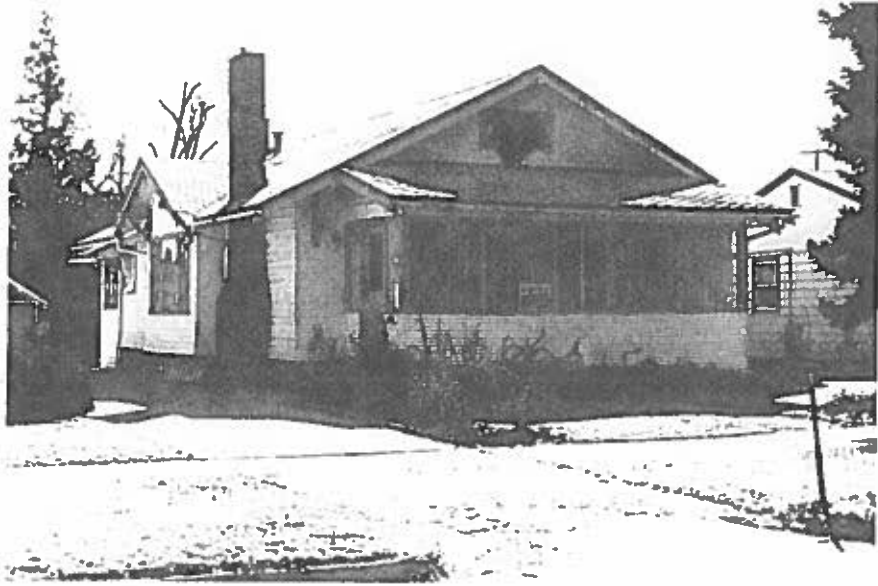


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