

COLORADO HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
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HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY

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: The house at 259 Teller Avenue

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

CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Woodbury Residence

LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: [ ] yes [X] no

ADDRESS: 259 Teller Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-2315

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

P.M.: UTE township: 1S range:1W  
NW ¼ of SE ¼ of NW¼ of NW¼ of section 14

OWNER NAME & ADDRESS: Ledru K. Woodbury, 259 Teller Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-2315

UTM REFERENCE-12  
Easting: 710400  
Northing: 4327770

USGS QUAD NAME: Grand Junction

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

STYLE: Classic Cottage

Block: 32  
Lot(s): 15 and 16  
Addition:  
Year of addition:

BUILDING TYPE:

[X] original location [ ] moved  
Date of moves(s):

MATERIALS: Concrete Block Foundation - Wood Frame - Asphalt Shingle Roof

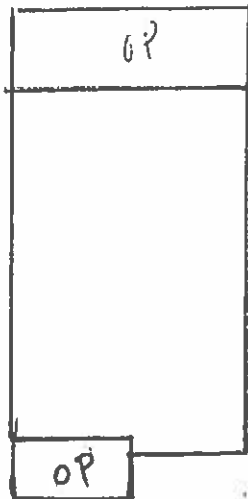
HISTORIC USE: Domestic  
PRESENT USE: Domestic

STORIES: 1

SQUARE FOOTAGE: 888

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION- estimate: 1910 actual:  
Source of information: Tax Assessor's Records

PLAN SHAPE:



ARCHITECT: Unknown  
Source of information:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Unknown  
Source of information:

ORIGINAL OWNER: P.E. Core  
Source of information: Lot and Block Books

ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS- [ ] yes [X] no  
Type:

**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:** One story with hip roof and concrete block foundation. Concrete steps and stoop lead to projecting screened porch with hip roof on east half of facade. Vertical beaded siding on porch half-wall. Full height squared, fluted columns on front corners. Dark screens. Paneled front door has six lights. Windows around house are double hung wood sash, one-over-one. Gray narrow lapped wood siding. Door and window surrounds, columns, corner boards, friezes and cornices. Light gray composition shingle roof. Shed roof wing across rear. One west elevation window is covered with a flush panel, with a small single light window. Cross gable on west facade is fully pedimented with a kick. Boxed eaves. Louvered ventilator on gable face.

Landscaped with lawn and gravel in yard. Blue ash tree in parking. Chain link fence around yard.  
Metal storage shed in backyard.

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

Film roll no.: 28  
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): Chimney removed, probably. Glazed door on porch. Additional construction or modifications not noted in Assessor's records.

**HISTORICAL BACKGROUND** (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): Charlotte Cole, widow of Frank, was the original owner ca. 1910-1914, living in the house ca. 1909-1911. After two absentee owners, Lou and Raymond T. Branson, a driver, purchased the property ca. 1921, and were occupants in ca. 1924. D.B. Wright was an absentee owner, ca. 1925-1939. Glen Arnsperger, a fireman, was the tenant ca. 1926-1930, and Cleopatra and Clarence Melton, a driver for Excelsior Laundry, the tenants ca. 1931. Geneva and W. D. Lambson, a railroad conductor, were the tenants ca. 1937-1938, and the owners/occupants ca. 1940 through 1946.

**INFORMATION SOURCES** (be specific): Plat Map, Appraisal Card, Lot and Block Books, Grand Junction City Directories.

**SIGNIFICANCE** (check appropriate categories)

**Architectural significance:**

represents the work of a master  
 possesses 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: 1910

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE** (briefly justify the significance checked above): This house retains its basic appearance. The lapped siding is unusually narrow for the period. Although not eligible for the National Register, this house may contribute to a local register.

INVENTORY COMPLETED BY: Museum Group Staff

DATE: 3/29/96

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PROJECT NAME: Grand Junction Historic Resources Survey, Phase 2



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