

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One and a half story, with hip roof. Concrete block foundation. Concrete steps with wood railings lead to an open porch, integral under the principal roof, extending across facade. Four Tuscan full height columns and two responds around porch. Porch base has concrete piers and pierced vertical slats between the piers. Wood balustrade around porch. Door on the face of a 6' wide, shallow bay. The door is paneled, and has a large light of leaded stained glass. Another 6' wide shallow bay on south side of facade has a window on the face. A third window on north side of the facade. Windows are double hung, wood sash, one-over-one. Storm windows have dark metal frames. Cutaway bay on south elevation has a pedimented gable with a kick. Buff, simple drop, wood siding. Door and window surrounds, columns, corner boards, frieze and fascia boards are brown. Red composition shingle roof. Boxed eaves have fascia boards. Hip roof dormers are on north, east, and south slopes. Brick chimney on north slope. Landscaped with lawn, a few shrubs around the house, and elm trees along south lawn. Chain-link and wood fences around backyard. A one car garage with side gable, red composition shingle roof, buff simple drop siding, and paneled garage door. A wood stairway ascends the east gable wall to a second floor entry. Windows around garage are double hung, metal sash, one-over-one.

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

Film roll no.: 29
Negative no.: 23

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 in Assessor's records.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): The house, constructed ca. 1907, was first owned by Anthony L. Gex. William Campbell was the absentee owner, ca. 1914-1920. Carrie and Price Dittman, a railroad engineer, were the owners and the first known occupants, ca. 1921-1922. Whila and Erwin L. Paige, a salesman, were the owners/occupants, ca. 1923-1926. E. C. Groscurth (sp?) was the absentee owner, ca. 1926-1944. Renters during that time included Dominick Simonetti, a laborer for the railroad; Miles E. Burkner, another railroader; and Ray R. Roper, a printer. Tottie and Ray Roper, who occupied the house, ca. 1935 to at least 1946, became the owners, ca. 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
 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: 1904

THEME(S):

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above): A house which has been refurbished in an unmodified manner. Although not eligible for the National Register, this house may contribute to a local register.

INVENTORY COMPLETED BY: Museum Group Staff

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