

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

HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY

SITE NO.: 5ME8498

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

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

COUNTY: Mesa

CITY: Grand Junction

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

HISTORIC BUILDING NAME: Harp, Celia S. and Ross, House

CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Congdon Residence

LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION:  yes  no

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

ADDRESS: 301 Hill Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-2431

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

OWNER NAME & ADDRESS: Stephen C. Congdon, 301 Hill Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-2431

UTM REFERENCE-12  
Easting: 710460  
Northing: 4327700

USGS QUAD NAME: Grand Junction  
Year: 1962; photorevised 1973  7.5'  15'

STYLE: Bungalow

Block: 36  
Lot(s): 1 and W 2/3 of 2  
Addition:  
Year of addition:

BUILDING TYPE:

original location  moved

Date of moves(s):

MATERIALS: Concrete Foundation - Wood Frame - Asphalt Shingle Roof

HISTORIC USE: Domestic

PRESENT USE: Domestic

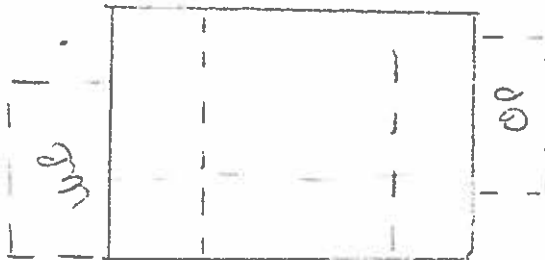
STORIES: 1

SQUARE FOOTAGE: 988

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION- estimate: 1924 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: Celia S. Harp

Source of information: Lot and Block Books

ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS-  yes  no

Type: Garage

**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:** One story with front gable roof. Flared foundation is skirted with red shake shingle siding. Carpet covered wood steps with a pier covered with shake shingles. Sunporch/entry with front gable roof extends across two-thirds of facade. Shake shingle siding on half-wall extends to ground level. Porch entrance located on the west elevation. Door is paneled with large, single light. A large fixed pane window to the south of the door. Porch facade has a ribbon of three, vinyl framed sash windows, six over one. Windows around house are double hung, wood casement windows, four, eight and ten over one, with wood screens. Porch and house have gray composition roof shingles. Window frames and surrounds, bargeboards, exposed rafter ends and corner boards are beige.

Landscaped yard with large evergreen tree along facade. Small evergreen shrub along facade and west steps to porch entrance. Large rose bush on north east corner of house. Back yard enclosed by tall wood fence. Sapling and several tall flowering shrubs in back yard.

One car garage in rear with flat, parapeted roof and red shake shingle siding.

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

Film roll no.: 27  
Negative no.: 6

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): Celia Harp, a bookkeeper and clerk, and her husband, Ross, a car salesman, were the original owners/occupants, ca. 1924 to at least 1975. Harp was then office manager of Simpson-Reid Motor Company, later a salesman for Fred Galyean and then Mesa Sales and Services. He was then a salesman, and later the parts manager, for Harris Auto.

**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:

**THEME(S):**

Period of significance: 1924

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE** (briefly justify the significance checked above): The new six-over-one windows on the porch facade are a match for the original windows around the house. Although not eligible for the National Register, this house may contribute to a local register.

**INVENTORY COMPLETED BY:** Museum Group Staff

**DATE:** 5/31/96

**AFFILIATION:** Museum of Western Colorado

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**PROJECT NAME:** Grand Junction Historic Resources Survey, Phase 2



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