



**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:** Two story, front gable roof. Large, side gable roof wing projects from the center of the west elevation. Concrete steps lead to an open porch that extends across three-quarters of the facade. Porch has a hipped roof, with a pedimented, cross gable with kick over the steps. Six full height, squared, doric porch posts. Dentils in the cornice, and sunburst pattern on the face of the porch gable. Paneled front door with large, single light. Windows around house are double hung, wood sash, one-over-one. The top third of the principal facade gable projects forward as an overhanging gable. It has a sunburst on the face and is supported by decorative brackets. Beige, simple drop wood siding. Corner boards, window frames and surrounds, gable sunbursts, porch posts are beige. Gray composition shingle roof with boxed eaves.

Very large dirt lot with several moderately sized trees. Shrubs and bushes along porch. Entire lot enclosed by chain-link fence.

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

Film roll no.: 44  
Negative no.: 13

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 is a style that appears to be older than the Assessor's records indicate - 1919. From 1919, this house was the home of the Gertrude and Charles Whipple family through 1946. Mr. Whipple was a carman with the Denver and Rio Grande Railway. Gertrude is listed as the widow of Charles by 1939. The house became the home of one of Grand Junction's more interesting residents, Mazzie Lightfoot McMullin, wife of Samuel.

**INFORMATION SOURCES** (be specific): Plat Map, Appraisal Card, Lot and Block Books, Grand Junction City Directories. Grand Junction Daily Sentinel Newspaper, 29 May. Alfred Nestler's Southwest, Grand Junction Historic Survey, 1981.

**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:

Period of significance: 1919

**THEME(S):**

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE** (briefly justify the significance checked above): A large Queen Anne with many fine details. In need of refurbishment, it retains its original appearance. 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

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