

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One story with front gable roof. Concrete step leads to fully enclosed, front gable porch. No porch windows. Porch walls covered with wide, clapboard siding. Flush porch door with four lights. Windows around house are double hung, wood sash, eight over eight. Beige, wide lapped board siding. Porch door, raking cornices, and rafter ends are brown. Window frames and surrounds are beige. Light gray composition shingle roof with short overhanging eaves and exposed rafter ends. Brick chimney on west slope.
Grass lawn. Gravel yard next to street. Front yard and east side of lot enclosed by wood post and wire fence. Two small trees in front yard. Four mature locust trees along east side of lot.

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

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Negative no.: 24

Photographer: Carolyn Howard
Location of negatives: City Of Grand Junction

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Open porch modified to enclosed porch, 1984. Additional construction or modifications not noted in Assessor's records.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): Built in 1946, the first occupants of this house were Rhoda and Arthur P. Shepardson who lived there in 1949 and owned the house from 1946-1954. Tenants during this time were Arville, a bookkeeper, and Goldie Watts and Olive Armstrong. The house sold to Oliver and Marian Wood in 1955 and they were still the owners through 1965. Tenants during these years were a janitor and a carpenter. The tenant in 1965 was Ms. Cecelia Ortego.

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: 1946

THEME(S):

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above): The fully enclosed, windowless entry wing is one of a kind. 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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