

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: Two story, cross gable roof. Concrete foundation painted gray. Carpeted concrete step lead to an enclosed porch with hipped roof. Siding on half-wall. Four half-height, fluted Tuscan porch posts. Openings of porch now covered with green corrugated fiberglass panels. Porch has paneled door and metal frame storm door. Windows around house are double hung, wood sash, one-over-one, with metal frame storms and screens. Shallow squared, hipped roof projecting bay window on east elevation. Large picture window in facade with two light transom. Flight of wood steps on the west elevations with 2 x 4 railings lead to second floor entrance with a paneled door with three vertical lights and a wood screen door. White wide lapped aluminum siding. Window frames and surrounds, porch posts, wood steps and railings, and fishscale shingles in all gables are white. Light green composition shingle roof. Boxed eaves with fascia boards. Brick chimney on ridge.

Landscaped corner lot with three mature and two young trees along street. Small tree next to east elevation. Two trimmed evergreen trees flank the porch entrance. White wood fence along west side of lot with several rose bushes near them. Backyard enclosed by chain-link fence.

One car garage next to house on west side of lot with front gable roof. Roof shingles and siding same as house.

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

Film roll no.: 46
Negative no.: 4

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

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Siding, storm door and windows and porch enclosure. Additional construction or modifications not noted in Assessor's records.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): Originally the home of Mary and Nathan Coles, lawyer and deputy district attorney, this house was constructed in 1909 and was the Coles residence through 1925. It was the rental home of Frank Hunnel, auto repairman, c.a 1928-1932. Other tenants through the years included a teacher, driver, stenographer and gardener. It became the home of owners Genevieve and Ralph Houghton of the Tip Top Tire Shop in 1943. The occupants in 1946, were owners Myrtle and Frank Willis, a clerk at the Money Saver Market.

INFORMATION SOURCES (be specific): Plat Map, Appraisal Card, Lot and Block Books, Grand Junction City Directories. Obituary Index. Grand Junction Daily Sentinel Newspaper, 12 Jul 1946.

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; Law

Contributes to a potential district:

yes no

District name:

Period of significance: 1909

THEME(S):

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above): The siding is too wide for this style house. However, the overall white coloring blends it in somewhat. This house should be considered for inclusion on a local register for its association with Nathan Coles.

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