


COLORADO HISTORICAL SOCIETY Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation 1300 Broadway Denver, CO 80203 HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY		SITE NO.: 5ME8620
COUNTY: Mesa CITY: Grand Junction		Eligible for National Register <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no date _____ initials _____ Criteria <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D Contributes to a potential National Register district <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no district name: _____
HISTORIC BUILDING NAME: J.S. Brown Mercantile		Eligible for State Register <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no date _____ initials _____ Criteria <input type="checkbox"/> a <input type="checkbox"/> b <input type="checkbox"/> c <input type="checkbox"/> d <input type="checkbox"/> e Areas of significance: _____ _____
CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Litton Moving and Storage		Period of significance _____ Needs data <input type="checkbox"/> date _____ initials _____
ADDRESS: 437 South Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501		LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no Date of designation: N/A Designating authority: N/A
OWNER NAME & ADDRESS: Thomas Litton, 200 Mesa Grande Dr., Grand Junction, CO 81501		P.M.: UTE township: 1S range: 1W SW ¼ of SW ¼ of SE ¼ of SW ¼ of section 14
STYLE: 20th Century Commercial		UTM REFERENCE-12 Easting: 710700 Northing: 4326400 USGS QUAD NAME: Grand Junction Year: 1962; photorevised 1973 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7.5' <input type="checkbox"/> 15'
BUILDING TYPE:		Block: 162 Lot(s): E4.15' of 10 and all 11 Addition: Year of addition:
MATERIALS: Concrete Foundation - Brick - Concrete - Built Up Roof		[X] original location <input type="checkbox"/> moved Date of moves(s):
STORIES: 2 SQUARE FOOTAGE: 4002		HISTORIC USE: Commerce PRESENT USE: Commerce
PLAN SHAPE: north arrow 		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION- estimate: 1916 actual: Source of information: Tax Assessor's Records
		ARCHITECT: Unknown Source of information:
		BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Unknown Source of information:
		ORIGINAL OWNER: Barton Blackwell and Terrill Source of information: Lot and Block Books
		ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS- <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no Type:

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: Two story, with parapet shed roof. One section of long, two story building. Covered concrete loading dock. Loading dock roof supported by steel girder piers. Exposed metal rafters. Corrugated metal roof continuous over this long loading dock. Loading dock leads to a single, segmental brick arch entrance. Entrance has rolling metal door. Segmental brick arch window openings on first and second story now filled in with bricks. Three row brick cornice of roof parapet continuous with rest of building. Brick building is painted gray.

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

Film roll no.: 35
Negative no.: 20

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

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Windows filled. Additional construction or modifications not noted in Assessor's records.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): The first owner in 1916 was C.P. Blackwell. In 1936, the owner became Modern Building and Loan. In 1944, J.W. Milne was the owner through 1946 when it was purchased by present owners, Thomas and Aileen Litton. In 1916, J.S. Brown Mercantile was at 437-439 South Avenue. By 1924, J.W. Milne was operating his transfer and storage business from 433 and 437. In 1926, Milne Fuel Company was added and by 1941, the Safeway office and warehouse had moved to 437. They were there until 1954. Tenants since that date use the 433 address.

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: 1916

THEME(S):

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above): The smallest of five adjoining warehouses, it has its windows filled in. Although not eligible for the National Register, this building may contribute to a local register.

INVENTORY COMPLETED BY: Museum Group Staff

DATE: 5/31/96

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PROJECT NAME: Grand Junction Historic Resources Survey, Phase 2



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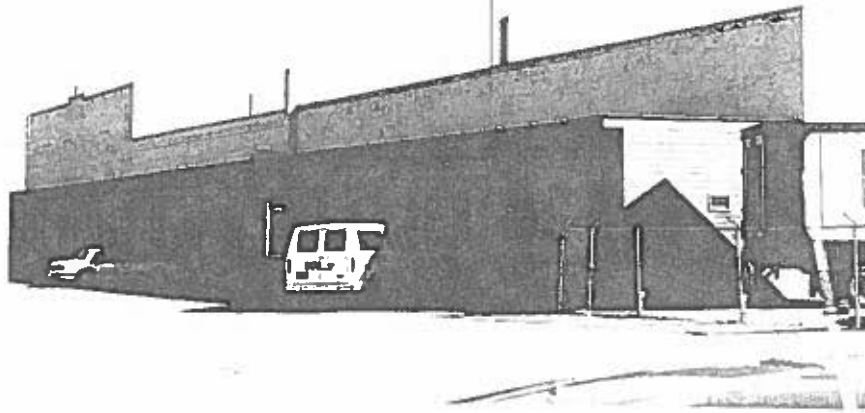
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