

COLORADO HISTORICAL SOCIETY Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation 1300 Broadway Denver, CO 80203		SITE NO.: 5ME8634
HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY		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: _____
COUNTY: Mesa	CITY: Grand Junction	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: _____
HISTORIC BUILDING NAME: Elite Laundry		Period of significance _____ Needs data <input type="checkbox"/> date _____ initials _____
CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Mesa Pawn		LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no Date of designation: N/A Designating authority: N/A
ADDRESS: 251 Colorado Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501		P.M.: UTE township: 1S range:1W NW ¼ of NE ¼ of SW¼ of SW¼ of section 14
OWNER NAME & ADDRESS: Barbara J. Raso, PO Box 2328, Grand Junction, CO 81502-2328		UTM REFERENCE-12 Easting: 710430 Northing: 4326730
		USGS QUAD NAME: Grand Junction Year: 1962; photorevised 1973 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7.5' <input type="checkbox"/> 15'
STYLE: Early 20th Century Commercial		Block: 123 Lot(s): 12 and 13 Addition: Year of addition:
BUILDING TYPE:		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original location <input type="checkbox"/> moved Date of moves(s):
MATERIALS: Concrete Foundation - Brick - Built Up Roof		HISTORIC USE: Commerce PRESENT USE: Commerce
STORIES: 1	SQUARE FOOTAGE: 2280	DATE OF CONSTRUCTION- estimate: 1909 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: T.M. Edwards Source of information: Lot and Block Books
		ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS- <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no Type:

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One story, front gable with false front. Concrete foundation. The facade fronts the concrete sidewalk. The door on the far east side of the facade, has a metal frame with a full light and push bars. Near the door, on the east half of the facade is a pair of large show windows with a wood frame. Over the door is a white metal canopy. Over the show windows is a large vinyl awning with blue and white stripes. Black steel grille over the windows. A horizontal slit window with a grille is on the west elevation. No windows on east elevation. South elevation has a metal vehicle door with steel security grilles. Brick facade is painted white. The east and west elevations are white stucco. The south elevation is concrete block painted white. The 20' of roof behind the even false front is gray composition roll roofing. The rest of the building has a low pitch roof with ribbed metal roofing and exposed rafter ends. The south gable face is the same material as the metal roof. Eaves are close to the wall. Brick chimney with a metal extension is on east wall, immediately behind the false front.

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

Film roll no.: 41
Negative no.: 21

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

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

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): Constructed ca. 1909, this commercial space, first owned by Thomas Edwards, ca. 1909-1913, housed Elite Laundry. Chester and Sarah E. Ferbrache were the next building owners and laundry proprietors, ca. 1915-1924. Dora Hards was the absentee owner, ca. 1925-1945. Renters during that time included Auburn Garage, Simpson Motor Company (for storage), the Haney Oldsmobile Company, Mutual Motors, H & S Auto Repair, and Central Chevrolet Company (body shop). Minnie and George Fuoco were the owners ca. 1946 to at least 1947, and the business occupant ca. 1946, Fuoco Radiator Shop.

INFORMATION SOURCES (be specific): Plat Map, Appraisal Card, Lot and Block Books, Grand Junction City Directories. Grand Junction Historic Survey, 1981. Obituary Index. Grand Junction Daily Sentinel Newspaper: 4 May 1950.

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: 1909

THEME(S):

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above): The simple new brick facade, with reduced windows and grilles, is remodeled for security in a transitional neighborhood. 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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