

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One story with a front gable. Concrete block foundation. Wood steps lead up to sunporch/entry under principal roof extending across facade. Glazed with ribbons of white wood framed casement windows, one-over-one. Porch half-wall has siding and squared 6 x 6 half-columns on each corner. Front door is paneled and has a very large light. Windows are double hung wood sash, one-over-one, with storm windows in white frames. Tan asbestos shingle siding. Door and window surrounds, columns, bargeboards, and knee braces are white. Foundation is peach. Light green composition shingle roof. Knee braces under eave have deep ornamental sawing. Louvered ventilator on gable has a castellated surround with some. Brick chimney on west slope.

Landscaped with lawn, rose bushes, and arborvitae. Rail fences on east and west perimeter of lawn.

One car garage with alley access. Garage has hip roof with green roll composition roofing, tan shingle siding, and batten sliding door.

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

Film roll no.: 34
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 on Assessor's Records.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): The house was first owned and occupied by Lillian and John Swire, secretary/manager of Fraser Brown and Swire, ca. 1909-1918. Lucy and Wendell Ela, assistant cashier of the Bank of Grand Junction, were the owners/residents ca. 1919-1925, and absentee owners ca. 1925-1945. Bernice and Jesse F. Beattie, a teacher, were the tenants ca. 1928-1932, and Essie and Frank Best, a clerk at Gordon's, the renters ca. 1935-1940. Essie was the second wife of Wayne Aspinall. Jeannette M. and Roy Burgess, insurance, were the owners/occupants ca. 1946.

INFORMATION SOURCES (be specific): Plat Map, Appraisal Card, Lot and Block Books, Obituary Index, 1981 Historic Survey of Grand Junction, Grand Junction City Directories. Grand Junction Daily Sentinel Newspaper, 2 Jul 1959, p1.

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): A transitional Edwardian, with early Bungalow features. 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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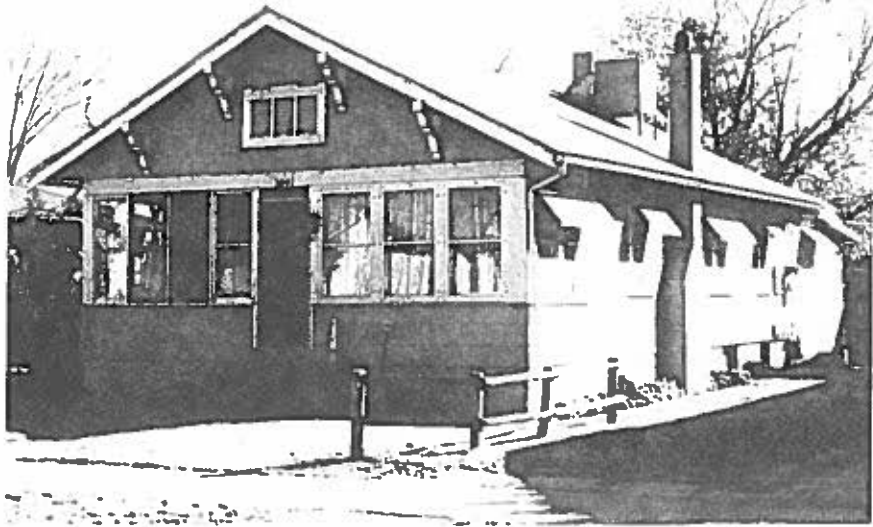


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