

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One story with front gable and gabled side wing. Concrete block foundation. Gray concrete steps, with concrete block piers, coping and wood railing, lead up to porch with hip roof extending across the facade. Balustrades have turned spindles. Four large Tuscan columns across the porch facade have cushioned capitals and bases. At the front corners of the step piers are two large Tuscan columns. They support a portico which projects from the main porch roof to shelter the steps. This portico over the steps has its own hip roof. Storm door over paneled front door with a full light. Enclosed porch, with a gabled roof, is a short wing on the east elevation. Windows are double hung wood sash, one-over-one. On facade, they are transom over one with lozenge pattern leaded glass in the transom. Dark brown wood shake siding. Door and window surrounds, porch columns and balustrade, frieze and cornices are white. Foundation is dark brown. Green composition shingle roof with wide flared eaves with cornices. Front gable has return cornices. Brick chimney on east slope.

Landscaped with large evergreens on west facade, lilacs on west, and roses in east lawn. Locust trees in parking area.
Large two car garage with hip roof, green composition shingle roof, red simple drop siding, one sliding door and one swinging door.

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

Film roll no.: 21
Negative no.: 3

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 in Assessor's records.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): The house was first owned ca. 1909 by F. C. Caldwell. The first known occupant was Frank E. Barney, an orchard heater (smudging), who owned the house ca. 1910-1918, and resided there ca. 1911-1913. Avah and J. J. Middleton, a dentist, owned and occupied the house ca. 1919-1926. Maud and Arthur Crist, a machinists helper, were the residents/owners ca. 1927-1930. Thelma and Dan Ring, chef d'cuisine at the LaCourt Hotel, owned/occupied the house ca. 1932-1951. He later owned Ring's Cafe in Clifton.

INFORMATION SOURCES (be specific): Plat Map, Appraisal Card, Lot and Block Books, Grand Junction City Directories, 1981 Historic Survey of Grand Junction.

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): This symmetrical house has a fine front porch with large columns and ornamental balustrades. They are white which contrasts with the dark brown walls behind them. Although not eligible for the National Register, this house may contribute to a local register.

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