

<p><b>COLORADO HISTORICAL SOCIETY</b>                  Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation                  1300 Broadway Denver, CO 80203</p> <p><b>HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY</b></p>		<p>SITE NO.: 5ME8264</p>
<p>COUNTY: Mesa CITY: Grand Junction</p>		<p>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: _____</p>
<p>HISTORIC BUILDING NAME: Orme, George, House</p>		<p>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: _____</p>
<p>CURRENT BUILDING NAME: Lambert Residence</p>		<p>Period of significance _____                  Needs data <input type="checkbox"/> date _____ initials _____</p>
<p>ADDRESS: 804 Chipeta Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-3348</p>		<p>LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: [ ] yes [X] no                  Date of designation: N/A                  Designating authority: N/A</p>
<p>OWNER NAME &amp; ADDRESS: Thomas R. Lambert, 804 Chipeta Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-3348</p>		<p>P.M.: UTE township: 1S range:1W                  SW ¼ of NE ¼ of SW¼ of NE¼ of section 14</p>
<p>STYLE: Queen Anne</p>		<p>UTM REFERENCE-12                  Easting: 711030                  Northing: 4327480</p>
<p>BUILDING TYPE:</p>		<p>USGS QUAD NAME: Grand Junction                  Year: 1962; photorevised 1973 [X] 7.5' [ ] 15'</p>
<p>MATERIALS: Concrete Foundation - Wood/Asbestos Frame - Asphalt Shingle Roof</p>		<p>Block: 48                  Lot(s): 31 and 32                  Addition:                  Year of addition:</p>
<p>STORIES: 1 SQUARE FOOTAGE: 1314</p>		<p>[X] original location [ ] moved                  Date of moves(s): _____</p>
<p>PLAN SHAPE:</p> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>north arrow </p> </div>		<p>HISTORIC USE: Domestic                  PRESENT USE: Domestic</p>
<p>ARCHITECT: Unknown                  Source of information: _____</p>		<p>DATE OF CONSTRUCTION- estimate: 1908 actual:                  Source of information: Tax Assessor's Records</p>
<p>BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Unknown                  Source of information: _____</p>		<p>ORIGINAL OWNER: Ada B. Orme                  Source of information: Lot and Block Books</p>
<p>ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS- [X] yes [ ] no                  Type: Garage</p>		<p>_____</p>

**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:** One story hip roof with cross gables. Concrete foundation. Concrete steps with wrought iron railings lead up to sunporch/entry in gabled wing on west half of facade. Siding on half-wall. A squared half column on both front corners. Glazing on three sides is ribbons of double hung wood sash windows, eight-over-eight. Paneled front door with nine lights. Windows around house are double hung wood sash, one-over-one. Cutaway bay on west elevation with gable. Smaller window in center is stained, leaded glass. Shallow bow window on west elevation with ribbon of three windows. Buff clapboard siding. Door and window surrounds, columns, corner boards, friezes and cornices are russet. Brown composition shingle roof with flared, boxed eaves. Gables are pedimented. Brick chimney on ridge.

Landscaped with lawn, very large evergreens on porch facade, roses on porch west end, pyracantha on east facade, and ash trees in parking area. Basket weave fence around backyard.

One car garage at rear with front gable, brown roll composition roofing, buff clapboard siding, and corrugated metal door.

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

Film roll no.: 30  
Negative no.: 23

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

**CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions):** Porch enclosed, date unknown. Wood deck added, 1988. Additional construction or modifications not noted in Assessor's records.

**HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building):** Ida B. and George Orme, president of Fremont Wall Paper Company, were the original owners/occupants, ca. 1908-1914. Mattie and Robert Walker, Grand Junction Postmaster 1914-1922, were the owners/occupants ca. 1914-1919. Walker, a Kentucky native founded and was editor of the Crittenton Press, served in the legislature, and was a delegate to the National Democratic Convention that nominated Grover Cleveland. He attracted wide attention for his editorial writing, which he later resumed around 1920 in Grand Junction. The Walker family, which included long-time Daily Sentinel editor, Walter Walker, moved to Colorado in 1903 due to family health requirements. Following his retirement as Grand Junction Postmaster, Robert C. Walker re-entered the newspaper business as associate editor of the Daily Sentinel, and as chief editorial writer. From ca. 1920-1931, it was then the residence of Emma and Harry L. Wohlfort, Beyrer and Wohlfort Drugs. Katherine and Roy Branning, department manager of Biggs-Kurtz Hardware, were the occupants/owners, ca. 1931-1938. Mary E. and Benjamin Simpson were the owners/occupants ca. 1939-1947. Simpson, born in 1888 in South Dakota Territory, was involved in road, dam and ditch building, and in mining until his retirement at the age of 70. The Simpson Family were uranium mine operators, and owned the Caravan Cafe at 1st and Main in the 1950s.

**INFORMATION SOURCES (be specific):** Plat Map, Appraisal Card, Lot and Block Books, 1981 Historic Survey of Grand Junction, Grand Junction City Directories. Grand Junction Daily Sentinel Newspaper, 1 Oct 1978; 20 Jun 1927, p1. Museum of Western Colorado Research Library: Walter Walker Biographical File; "Postmasters of Mesa County."

**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: 1908

THEME(S):

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above):** This house has both a cutaway bay and a rare bow window on the west elevation. The new clapboard siding is too wide. The house should be considered for the local register due to its connection to Robert C. Walker.

VENTORY COMPLETED BY: Museum Group Staff

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