



**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:** One story with front gable. Concrete steps with wood railings. The door is flush, with white metal screen door. A shed roof wing across the facade has a large picture window near the east corner. On the west, is a pair of large single lights in metal frames. Windows around the house are pairs of metal frame, sliding single light and picture windows. A hip roof wing along the east elevation has single lights. Board and batten siding is unfinished, weathered wood. Brown composition shingle roof. Fascia boards are brown or white. A brick chimney on the ridge.

Evergreen trees by the facade, elm tree and large arborvitae by the east and west elevations. A chain-link fence is around the front yard. A high wood fence around the back yard. A row of elm trees on west lawn edge. A garage or storage building by the alley is obscured by the high fence. Structure has a shed roof and board and batten walls.

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

Film roll no.: 33  
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): Siding and windows. Re-roofed with asphalt shingles, 1988. Unfinished open porch added to rear, 1988. Additional construction or modifications not noted in Assessor's records.

**HISTORICAL BACKGROUND** (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): Although listed as being built in 1896, this building does not show up on the tax records prior to 1902. It does not have a tenant listing until 1910, when it was the home of Joseph Steele, Jr., a carpenter. There are no further tenants listed until 1928, when the house became a rental unit through at least 1946. Tenants included, Fred Jewett, a carpenter and contractor; Claude Mabie, a sheepman; Thomas Cartmel, a janitor and Ben Miller, a salesman for Pacific Fruit and Produce.

**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:

**THEME(S):**

Period of significance: 1911

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE** (briefly justify the significance checked above): A century old house, the appearance has been altered by the rustic siding and new metal frame windows.

**INVENTORY COMPLETED BY:** Museum Group Staff

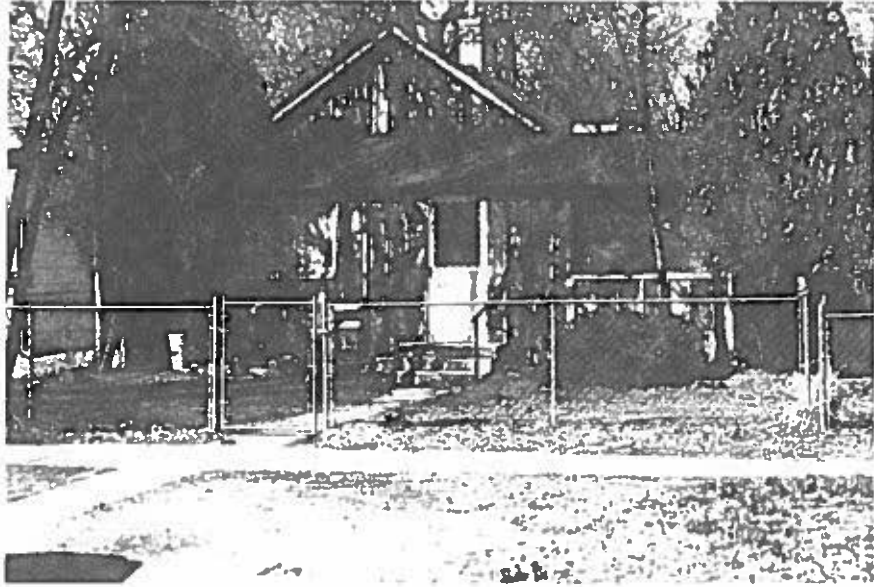
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