

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

Architectural Inventory Form

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I. IDENTIFICATION

1. Resource number: **5RT2184**
2. Temporary number: **N/A**
3. County: **Routt County**
4. City: **Steamboat Springs**
5. Historic building name: **Telk House; Wheeler House**
6. Current building name: **Klemer House**
7. Building address: **328 3rd Street**
8. Owner name: **Steven A. Klemer**
Owner address: **P.O. Box 772731**
Steamboat Springs, CO 80477

II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

9. P.M. **6th** Township **6N** Range **84W**
NE¼ of **SW**¼ of **NE**¼ of **NE**¼ of section **17**
10. UTM reference (NAD83)
Zone **13**
Easting: **345144**
Northing: **4483177**
11. USGS quad name: **Steamboat Springs, Colorado**
Year: **1969 (Map Scale: 1 : 25,000) 7.5'**
12. Lot(s): **34, 35** Block: **12**
Addition: **Steamboat Springs 1st Addition** Year of Addition **1910**
13. Boundary Description and Justification: **This legally defined parcel encompasses, but does not exceed, the land associated with this building since the time of construction.**

22. Architectural style / building type:

No Style

Official Eligibility Determination

(OAHP use only)

- Date _____ Initials _____
- ___ Determined Eligible - National Register
___ Determined Not Eligible - National Register
___ Determined Eligible - State Register
___ Determined Not Eligible - State Register
___ Needs Data
___ Contributes to eligible National Register District
___ Noncontributing to eligible National Register District

III. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

14. Building plan (footprint, shape):
Irregular Plan
15. Dimensions in feet: **1164 square feet**
16. Number of stories: **1**
17. Primary external wall material
Concrete
Wood Shingle
18. Roof configuration (enter one):
Gabled Roof / Side Gabled Roof
19. Primary external roof material (enter one):
Metal Roof
20. Special features (enter all that apply):
Chimney
Porch
Attached Garage



21. General Architectural Description

This house is located on the southeast side of 3rd Street in Steamboat Springs. Featuring a side gable plan, the main portion of the house measures 30' NE-SW (across) by 28' NW-SE (deep); however, there is also a 12' by 22' attached garage, on the northeast (side) elevation, and a 12' by 5' enclosed porch on the facade (northwest elevation). The single story dwelling is set back approximately 33' from the curb on 3rd Street, and features a concrete foundation, and a moderately-pitched side gable roof, covered with metal roofing material. The roof eaves are boxed, while a brown brick chimney is located on the southeast (rear) facing roof slope. The lower portion of the house's exterior walls are covered with troweled concrete pargeting, while the upper wall surfaces are clad with stained dark brown fishscale, sawtooth, and square-cut wood shingle siding. Window patterns include a combination of paired 2-light casements, single-light fixed-panes, and 1/1 double-hung sashes. Louvered awning windows appear in the upper gable ends of the dwelling and attached garage, on the northeast (side) elevation. A single, stained natural brown, solid wood front door, enters into the 12' by 5' enclosed shed-roofed porch at the southwest end of the facade. There are a number of other entrances: two stained natural brown glass-in-wood-frame doors lead into the building from a large elevated wood deck which is located on the southwest (side) elevation; a green fiberglass roll-away garage door provides vehicular access to the garage from an asphalt driveway, at the northeast end of the facade; a stained dark brown wood-paneled door, with one upper sash light, enters the attached garage on the southeast (rear) elevation.

22. Architectural style / building type: No Style

23. Landscape or setting special features:

This house is situated on the southeast side of 3rd Street, near the southeast end of Old Town Steamboat Springs' historic residential neighborhood. The property features a planted grass front lawn, with minimal landscaping. A garage and a gabled shed are located in the large rear yard.

24. Associated buildings, features, or objects

Garage

A 1.5 story wood frame garage is located near the rear of the property. This building measures approximately 22' by 20', with a 12' by 10' shed-roofed extension on its southeast elevation. The garage's exterior walls are clad with white asphalt shingle siding, while its front gable roof is covered with corrugated metal roofing material, laid over plywood decking and 2x wood rafters. The rafter ends are exposed beneath an extended overhang. The garage windows are primarily 1x1 horizontal sliders. A white metal roll-away garage door, located on the northwest elevation, appears to be no longer in use. It appears that a portion, or perhaps all, of this building has been converted into a residence.

Shed

An approximately 8' by 12' shed is located between the house and garage. This small wood frame structure has a wood floor, and a side gable roof covered with corrugated metal over plywood decking and transverse 2x wood rafters. The upper portions of the shed's exterior walls are covered with troweled concrete pargeting, while the lower wall surfaces are clad with stained brown horizontal wood siding. A large opening is centered on the northeast elevation. The shed has no windows.

IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

25. Date of Construction:

Estimate **pre-1934**

Actual

Source of information: **Steven Klemer**

26. Architect: **unknown**

Source of information: **n/a**

27. Builder/ Contractor: **unknown**

Source of information: **n/a**

28. Original owner: **unknown**

Source of information: **n/a**

29. **Construction History** (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions):

Steven Klemer, who has owned this property since 1980, believes that this dwelling was moved to its current location from the Sand Mountain Sawmill site near Hahn's Peak in 1934. This information was related to Mr. Klemer in the early 1980s, by members of the Spahr family, and other long-time neighborhood residents. The building is constructed of squared whole logs, which were presumably milled at the Sand Creek sawmill. The attached garage was constructed in 1965, and the deck on the southwest side was erected in the early 1980s.

30. Original location: **no**

Moved **yes**

Date of move(s) **ca. 1934**

V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

31. Original use(s): **Domestic / Single Dwelling**

32. Intermediate use(s): **Domestic / Single Dwelling**

33. Current use(s): **Domestic / Single Dwelling**

34. Site type(s): **Residence**

35. Historical Background

The modest dwelling at 328 3rd Street in Steamboat Springs was reportedly constructed in the years prior to 1934, at the Sand Mountain Sawmill site near Hahn's Peak. According to long-time neighborhood residents, as related to current owner Steven Klemer, the building was moved to its current site in 1934, where it has apparently served as a residence from that time to the present. In the years prior to 1963, the property was owned by members of the Telk family. Walter and Alfreda [sp?] Wheeler then owned and lived here from circa 1963 until 1980. Mr. Wheeler worked with Diamond Trucking.

Steven A. and Patricia Klemer, who are the current owners, purchased the property from the Wheelers in 1980. Steve is the proprietor of Steamboat Sheet Metal Fabrication Corporation in Steamboat Springs, while Patricia works as a waitress. They have one daughter, Elizabeth, who is eleven years old. Steve, who is a native of Massachusetts, came to Steamboat Springs to work in the late 1970s, and later took up skiing. Patricia is a native of Chicago, Illinois.

36. Sources of Information

A Guide to Colorado's Historic Architecture and Engineering, Denver: the State Historical Society of Colorado, 2003 (second edition).

Holderness, Patricia (project director). *History of Hayden and West Routt County 1876 - 1989*. Dallas: Curtis Media Corp., 1989.

Klemer, Steven. Telephone interview with Carl McWilliams, March 16, 2005.

Routt County Assessor/ Treasurer Parcel Detail Information.

Winter and Company. "Historic Context of Routt County." Prepared for the Tread of Pioneers Museum, January 1994.

VI. SIGNIFICANCE

37. Local landmark designation:

Yes

No

Date of Designation: n/a

38. Applicable National Register Criteria

A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history;

B. Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;

C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction;

D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield information important in prehistory or history;

Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G (see Manual).

 Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria.

39. Area(s) of Significance: n/a

40. Period of Significance: n/a

41. Level of Significance:

National:

State:

Local: **42. Statement of Significance**

Constructed near Hahn's Peak, and reportedly moved to Steamboat Springs in 1934, this house at one point may have been significant for its associations with the Sand Mountain sawmill, and historical developments in the vicinity of Hahn's Peak. The building, though, does not meet requirements for Criteria Consideration B, and it lost its ability to convey its significance after it was moved. The building is also significant for its association with the theme of community development in Steamboat Springs, after it was moved in 1934. Although, the building's significance in this regard is not to the extent that it would qualify for individual listing in the National or State Registers of Historic Places. The building's level of significance is also not to the extent that it would be eligible for local landmark designation.

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance:

This building lost its original integrity of location, setting, feeling, and association, when it was moved here from its original location near Hahn's Peak in the mid-1930s. In more recent years, its physical integrity has been further diminished by the addition of an attached garage in 1965, by an enclosed front porch addition; and by the alteration of some window openings.

VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

44. National Register eligibility field assessment:

Eligible:

Not Eligible: xx

Need Data:

45. Is there National Register district potential?

Yes:

No: xx

Discuss: Historic residences in this area of Steamboat Springs do not collectively appear to display sufficient integrity, and are too dispersed, to qualify as a National or State Register Historic District.

If there is National Register district potential, is this building:

Contributing: n/a

Noncontributing: n/a

46. If the building is in an existing National Register district, is it:

Contributing: n/a

Noncontributing: n/a

VIII. LOCAL LANDMARK ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

44a. Local Register eligibility field assessment:

Eligible:

Not Eligible: xx

Need Data:

45a. Discuss: Because it has been moved from its original location, and has been subsequently modified, this house is no longer able to convey a sense of its early historic associations with Hahn's Peak and the Sand Creek sawmill site. Although it has been in its current location for more than seventy years, the building's combined level of significance and integrity, relative to Routt County themes, is probably not to the extent that the building would qualify for listing in the Routt County Register.

46a. Architectural Style / Building Type (from Local Style Lexicon):

Steamboat Springs Wood Frame

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IX. RECORDING INFORMATION

47. Photograph numbers:

Roll: **STEAM-1; STEAM-2**

Frame(s): **30-32; 2**

Negatives filed at: **City of Steamboat Springs
137 10th Street
Steamboat Springs, Colorado 80477**

48. Report title: **Old Town Steamboat Springs Residential Survey IV: Architectural Survey Report**

49. Date: **March 16, 2005**

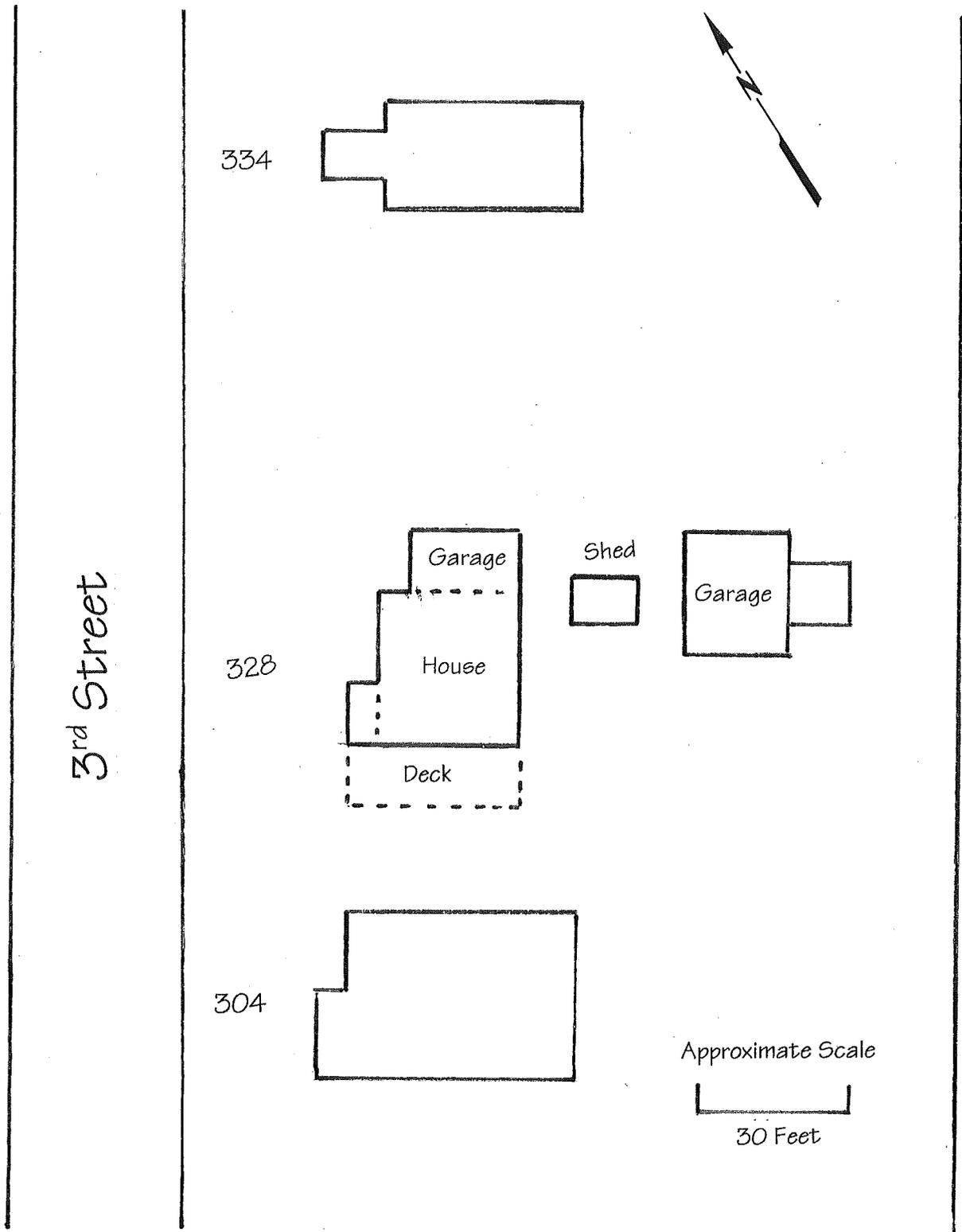
50. Recorder: **Carl McWilliams**

51. Organization: **Cultural Resource Historians**

52. Address: **1607 Dogwood Court
Fort Collins, Colorado 80525**

53. Phone number: **970/493-5270**

NOTE: Attached are a sketch map, a photocopy of the Steamboat Springs, Colorado USGS quadrangle map segment, indicating resource location, and black-and-white photographs.



3rd Street

2nd Street

334

328

304

Garage

Shed

House

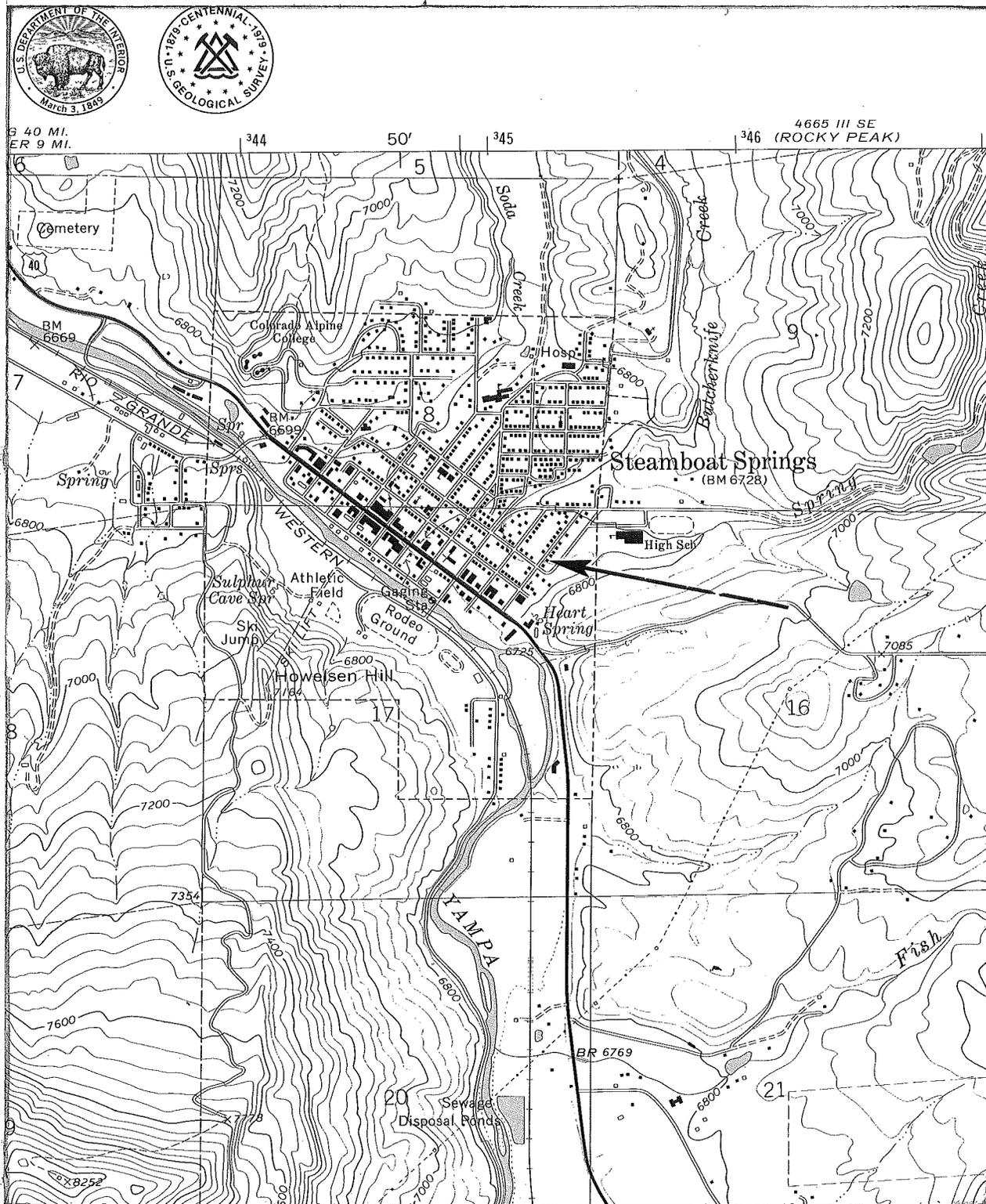
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Garage

Approximate Scale

30 Feet

• • • SKETCH MAP • • •



• • • LOCATION MAP • • •

328 3rd Street, Steamboat Springs, Colorado
(Copied from Steamboat Springs, Colorado USGS Quadrangle Map)