



HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY
HISTORIC SITE FORM
 PARK CITY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION



IDENTIFICATION

Property Name (if any): Elmer H. Maxwell House

Address: 1326 Park Avenue

Date of Construction: c. 1925

City, County: Park City, Summit County, Utah

Architect/Builder, if known: unknown

Tax Number: SA-284-A

Current Owner: Thomas R. and Lael J. Holm (H/W jt.)

Legal Description (include acreage): BEG N 54*01' E 406 FT & S 35*59' E 399 FT FROM NW COR BLK 24 SNYDERS ADDITION TO PARK CITY (SD NW COR SOMETIMES REFERRED TO AS SW COR) RUN TH S 35*59' E 37 FT; N 57*00' E 70.5 FT; N 35*59' W 37 FT; S57*00' W 70.5 FT TO BEG M95-44 411-183 666-588 1546-94 1632-1822; 0.06 AC

STATUS / USE

Original Use: single dwelling Current Use: single dwelling

Property Type:

- Building
- Structure
- Site

National Register of Historic Places:

- Eligible
- Ineligible
- Listed, Date:

Evaluation:

- Landmark Site
- Significant Site
- Non Historic

DOCUMENTATION

Photographs:

- Tax Photos
- Prints:
- Historic

Research Sources:

- Sanborn Maps
- tax Card
- Census Records
- City/ County Histories
- Personal Interviews
- Park City Museum
- Newspapers
- Other:

DESCRIPTION

Architectural Style: Bungalow type

No. Stories: 1

Number of Associated Structures: Accessory building(s). # Structure(s). #

Condition: Good Fair Poor Uninhabitable/Ruin

Location: Original location Moved (Date: ,original location:)

Materials: (Describe the visible materials)

Exterior Walls: Drop siding

Foundation: Concrete

Roof: Gabel roof form sheathed in asphalt shingles

Windows/Doors: Groupings of casement windows with a center single light window flanked by narrow fixed casements

Additions: Major Minor None

Alterations: Major Minor None

Describe Additions/ Alterations (Dates):

Essential Historic Form: Retains Does Not Retain

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

(Briefly describe the property and its setting. Include a verbal description of the location; a general description of the property including the overall shape, number of stories, architectural style, materials, shape of roof; identify and describe any associated structures; identify any known exterior additions and/or alterations.)

1326 Park is a bungalow type house that has undergone many modifications. While the bungalow was not one of the three main house types built during the historic Park City mining era, it was still common during that time period. The house has gone through a series of changes, culminating in a large addition built to the rear of the house sometime around 2006. The gable roof is clad with composition shingles, as is the complex roof of the addition. The walls are clad with drop-novelty siding and the gable is clad with fish scale shingles, however, these are a later addition as they are not seen in the c. 1940 tax photo. The front windows are the same type shown in the early tax photo, a central pane flanked by two narrower panes, but it is unknown if these are original or replacements. These windows sit on either side of the front door, which is a wood four panel door. A small shed extension comes off the north side of the roof and contains another door to the house. The full width porch is

covered as the roof extends over it, supported by square wood posts. The yard is surrounded by a simple wooden fence. The cumulative formal and material changes have diminished its historic value.

SIGNIFICANCE

Historic Era:

- Settlement & Mining Boom Era (1868-1893)
- Mature Mining Era (1894-1930)
- Mining Decline & Emergence of Recreation Industry (1931-1962)

Narrative Statement of Significance:

(Briefly describe those characteristics by which this property may be considered historically significant.)

This house was between sometime between 1907 and 1929, judging from the Sanborn Insurance maps from those years. It does not appear on the 1920 census, indicating that it was either vacant or not built at that time. It seems likely that it was built after 1920. The first known owner of the house was Elmer Maxwell. The title history states that he purchased the property in 1935, but the 1930 census states the he both owned and occupied the house at that time. It was a common practice in early Park City for lots owned by mining companies to be sold off the books and recorded at a later date; this is probably the case in this situation.

Elmer Maxwell lived in the house with his wife Mercy and their two daughters. He was a life insurance salesman in 1930 and a hoist man for a mine in 1940. He and Mercy were married around 1921. By 1940 they had purchased a neighboring house, 1330 Park Ave, and were renting this house out. It was occupied by Edwin Lowden, his wife Beulah and their two children, and also Eldon and Ella Sorenson. Edwin was a miner, and Eldon was a timberman for a mine. Nothing else is known of them. Elmer continued to own the house until he died, but the property stayed in the Maxwell family until at least 1977. It is currently owned by Thomas and Lael Holm.

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PHOTOS

(Provide several clear historical and current photos of the property as well as locational maps indicating the location of the property in relation to streets or other widely recognized features.)

1326 Park Avenue, Park City, Summit County, Utah

Intensive Level Survey—Biographical and Historical Research Materials



Tax photo c. 1940











1326 Park Avenue. Northwest oblique. November 2013.



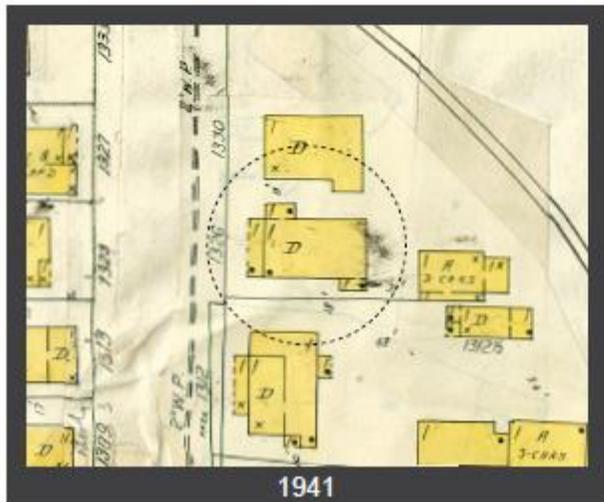
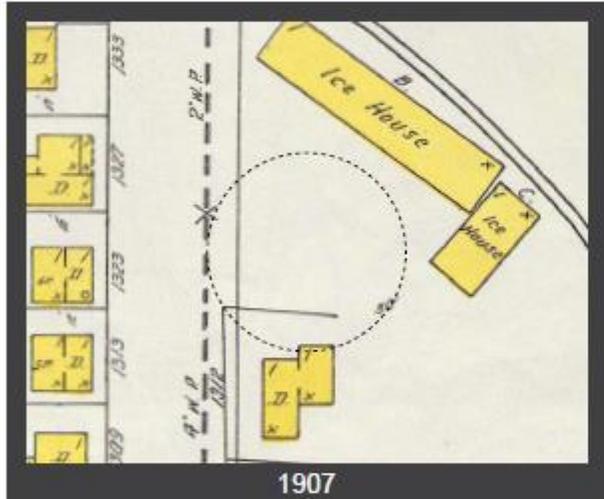
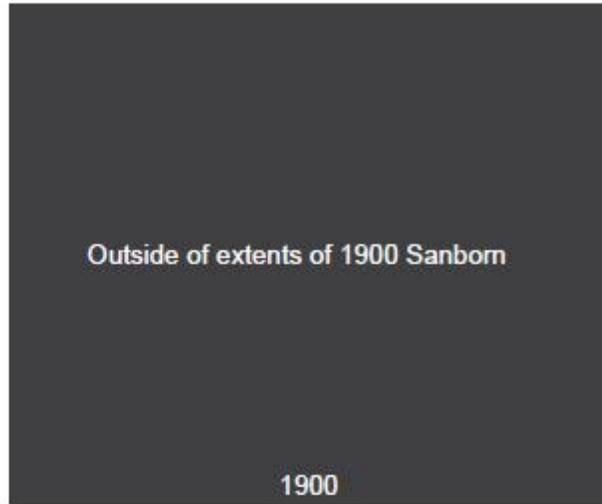
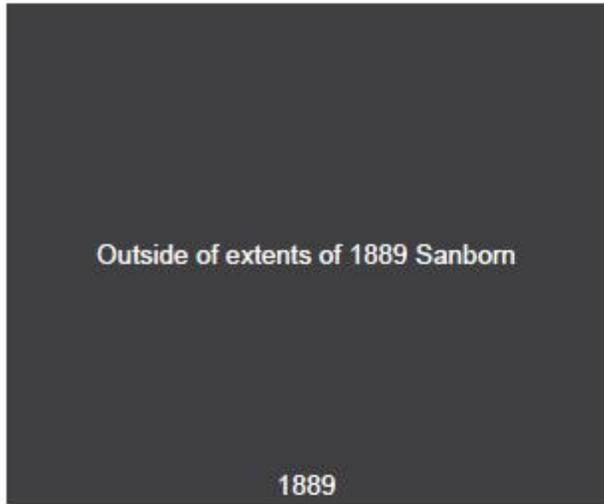
1326 Park Avenue. West elevation. November 2013.



1326 Park Avenue. Southwest oblique. November 2013.

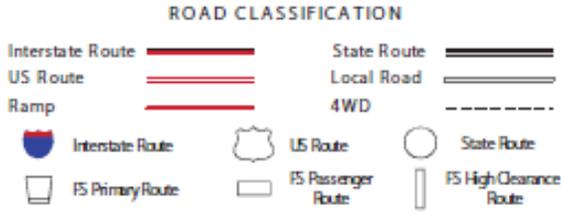
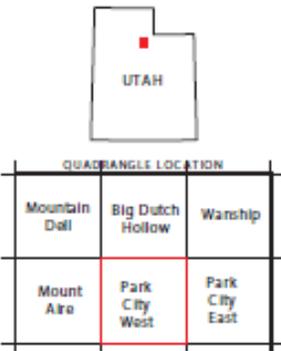
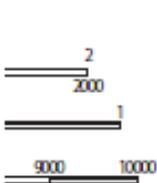
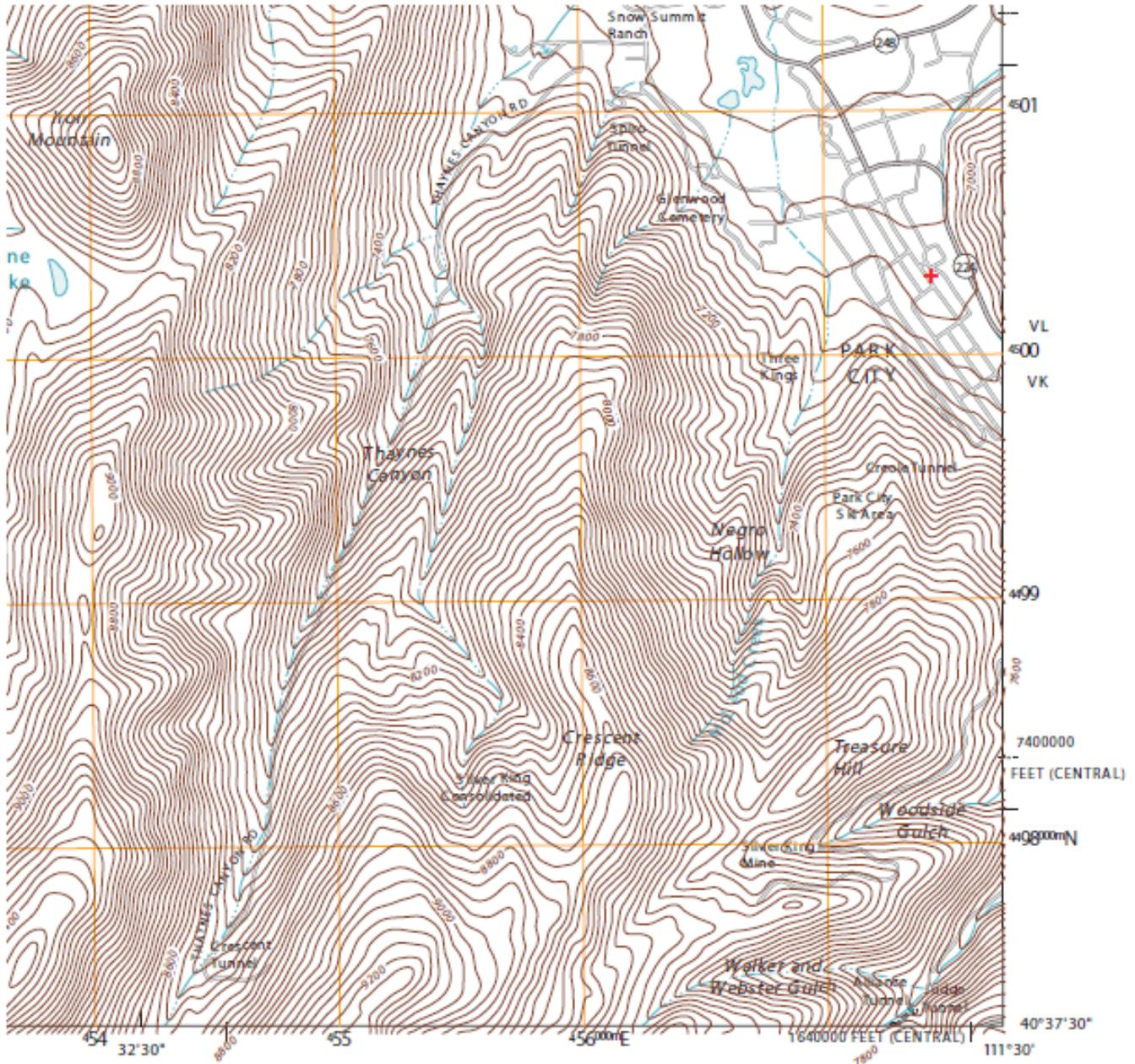
MAPS

1326 Park Avenue, Park City, Summit County, Utah
Intensive Level Survey—Sanborn Map history



1326 Park Avenue, Park City, Summit County, Utah

Intensive Level Survey—USGS Map



Check with local Forest Service unit for current travel conditions and restrictions.

+ location on USGS Park City West 1:24000 Quadrangle Map (2011)

