

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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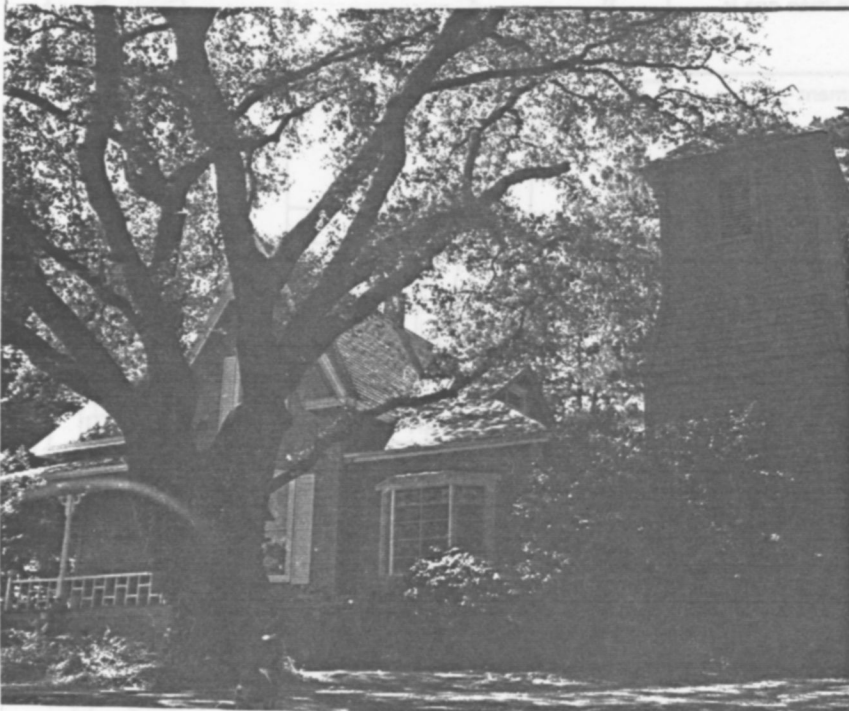
IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: _____
2. Historic name: Jeremiah Lewis House
3. Street or rural address: 801 Dry Creek Road
City Healdsburg, CA Zip 95448 County Sonoma
4. Parcel number: 089-090-35
5. Present Owner: Gibbs, Byron Address: 801 Dry Creek Road
City Healdsburg, CA Zip 95448 Ownership is: Public _____ Private X
6. Present Use: Residential Original use: Residential

DESCRIPTION

- 7a. Architectural style: Homestead
- 7b. Briefly describe the present *physical description* of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

This 1½ story house has several steep gables and a slanted bay on the right side which may have been a later addition. The cornice is boxed and some of the open gables have returns and a gable brace. The roof of the side bay has exposed rafter tails and multi-paned casement windows. Other windows are double-hung with molded and pedimented frames and decorative shutters. The house has channel rustic siding with vertical boards covering the foundation. The front porch has a hip-roof, turned posts and sawn brackets. In the rear is a tank house with a flaired upper level.



8. Construction date:
Estimated _____ Factual 1888
9. Architect _____
10. Builder _____
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
Frontage _____ Depth _____
or approx. acreage 1.5
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
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13. Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated No longer in existence
14. Alterations: _____
15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land Scattered buildings Densely built-up
Residential Industrial Commercial Other: _____
16. Threats to site: None known Private development Zoning Vandalism
Public Works project Other: _____
17. Is the structure: On its original site? Moved? Unknown?
18. Related features: _____

SIGNIFICANCE

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)
This elaborate residence sits on a hill overlooking Dry Creek Valley. It was built by Jeremiah Lewis, born in Ohio in 1830, after 1888 when he purchased the old Laymance ranch. He was accompanied by his brother-in-law, A.H. Staager, and his family, who purchased an adjoining ranch. There were two residences on the property, the other being the original (1853) Laymance homestead (see 089-050-41) which became the home of Lewis' daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Skinner. Lewis became a prominent and wealthy rancher before his death in 1899.

This residence sits atop a forested hillside in Dry Creek Valley. Its steep gables are reminiscent of gothic revival and very few superficial alterations are visible.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)
Architecture 1 Arts & Leisure _____
Economic/Industrial _____ Exploration/Settlement _____
Government _____ Military _____
Religion _____ Social/Education 2
21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates). Hist. So. Co. 1880
So. Co. Atlas 1877, 1898
Ent. 10/3/1888
Trib: 1/12/1899
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