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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: _____
2. Historic name: Elizabeth Lewis House
141 North Street
3. Street or rural address: _____
City Healdsburg, Ca Zip 95448 County Sonoma
4. Parcel number: 002-163-28-5
5. Present Owner: Short John Et Al c/o Address: 141 North Street
Ratchfort Short & Welty
City Healdsburg, Ca Zip 95448 Ownership is: Public _____ Private X
6. Present Use: commercial Original use: residence

DESCRIPTION

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

This large rectangular structure has a hip roof with boxed cornice with dentils. There is a narrow belt cornice with dentils wrapping the building. The siding is narrow rustic, and the double hung windows, grouped in pairs, have multiple panes in the upper sash. There is a front entry recessed under the second floor and a side entry portico extending off the building. Turned columns are used in both entryways.



8. Construction date: Estimated _____ Factual 1907
9. Architect _____
10. Builder _____
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
Frontage 70 Depth 107
or approx. acreage _____
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
27 Aug 82 11/17

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.)

Sometimes called a "Classic Box" for its rectangular shape, this elegant home is one of the only local examples of its particular Neo-classic style. It was built for Elizabeth Lewis, a native of Boston, who was twice widowed before she came to Healdsburg and married wealthy Dry Creek rancher, Jeremiah Lewis, in 1888. After her third husband's death, Mrs. Lewis inherited a substantial amount of valley and town property, some of which she gave to her daughter and son-in-law, Ora and W.H. Skinner. The Skinners later inherited all of Mrs. Lewis' Property. In 1915 the home was sold to Louis Koberg, a prominent jeweller, whose family owned it for many years.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)
 Architecture Arts & Leisure _____
 Economic/Industrial _____ Exploration/Settlement _____
 Government _____ Military _____
 Religion _____ Social/Education _____

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).
 Trib.: 5/4/1899, 10/29/1908
 Directories: 1915, 1924, 1926
 Asses.: 1908, 1910

22. Date form prepared July 24, 1983
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