

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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IDENTIFICATION

- 1. Common name: \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Historic name: Roland Truitt House
- 3. Street or rural address: 402 Piper Street  
City Healdsburg Zip 95448 County \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Parcel number: 002-151-16
- 5. Present Owner: Gottlieb, Samuel H. & Kathleen A Address: 6 Playa Verde  
City Tiburon Zip 94920 Ownership is: Public \_\_\_\_\_ Private X
- 6. Present Use: Residential Original use: Residential

DESCRIPTION

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

This is a fine example of the early Queen Anne cottage ca 1880 with multi-gabled roof and bays. The gable ends are shingled and the siding shiplap with vertical end boards. Decoration includes button medallions on the fringe, sunburst medallions and stained glass in the upper pane of the large front window. The windows are tall and narrow. The entrance is recessed and flanked by bracketed pilasters. The door has a pedimented glass pane beneath a multi-paned transom. The front porch has turned tableleg pillars.



- 8. Construction date:  
Estimated 1890 Factual \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. Architect \_\_\_\_\_
- 10. Builder \_\_\_\_\_
- 11. Approx. property size (in feet)  
Frontage 60 Depth 115  
or approx. acreage \_\_\_\_\_
- 12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)  
28 Aug 1982 11/26

13. Condition: Excellent \_\_\_ Good X Fair \_\_\_ Deteriorated \_\_\_ No longer in existence \_\_\_
14. Alterations: \_\_\_\_\_
15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land \_\_\_ Scattered buildings \_\_\_ Densely built-up \_\_\_  
Residential X Industrial \_\_\_ Commercial \_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
16. Threats to site: None known X Private development \_\_\_ Zoning \_\_\_ Vandalism \_\_\_  
Public Works project \_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
17. Is the structure: On its original site? X Moved? \_\_\_ Unknown? \_\_\_
18. Related features: \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNIFICANCE**

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)  
This house appears to be another example of "carpenter built", with the builder just adding certain details such as the frieze buttons and the small sawn sunbursts in the gables to suit his taste. This was the home of the Roland K. Truitt family, built in the 1890's during the pinnacle of the family's local prominence. The Truitts owned Truitt's theater from 1874 to 1912. It was the center of cultural life in early Healdsburg being the place where local amateur productions were held, traveling troops came to perform, politicians came to speak, local balls and graduation ceremonies were held. R. K. Truitt was born in Texas in 1841. He led an adventurous life, crossing the plains several times, surviving the Panama Massacre, being drafted into the Confederate Army and later joining the U. S. Army escaping death many times, and riding shot-gun for the Wells Fargo stage. In later life, he was a deputy sheriff of Healdsburg and a delegate to many Republican conventions. He owned the theater for 28 years and managed a large stock ranch.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)  
Architecture 2 Arts & Leisure \_\_\_  
Economic/Industrial \_\_\_ Exploration/Settlement \_\_\_  
Government \_\_\_ Military \_\_\_  
Religion \_\_\_ Social/Education 1

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).  
So. Co. Hist. 1880  
Hist. of So. Co. 1911

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