

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: _____
2. Historic name: William Ferguson Jr. House
3. Street or rural address: 417 Haydon Street
City Healdsburg Zip 95448 County Sonoma
4. Parcel number: 002-271-23-7
5. Present Owner: Smith Oriel Jane Address: 417 Haydon Street
City Healdsburg Zip 95448 Ownership is: Public _____ Private X
6. Present Use: Residential Original use: Residential

DESCRIPTION

- 7a. Architectural style: Neo-Classic Bungalow
- 7b. Briefly describe the present *physical description* of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition: This hip roofed bungalow has front and rear dormers with separate hip roofs. A strip of molding eases the joint between the boxed cornices and pain frieze. This house also has a slanted front bay and a recessed veranda which partically wraps the front and side. Dormer windows are single paned while others are double hung. Some of the windows have diamond shaped upper panes. Most have molded caps. The veranda has Tuscan columns atop a solid balustrade. The siding on this house is rustic and there is a large exterior chimney.

Note: Very similar to 002-271-26 (401 Haydon)



8. Construction date: Estimated _____ Factual 1908
9. Architect _____
10. Builder _____
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
Frontage 66 Depth 157.5
or approx. acreage _____
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
September 9, 1982

13. Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated No longer in existence
14. Alterations: One large plate window replacement
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: 2 tall palms flank front entrance

SIGNIFICANCE

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)

A very nice example of a typical neo-classic bungalow with its front dormer, angled bay and recessed porch. Very little alteration and in excellent condition.

Like the homes of three of his brothers, all built within a two block radius of this one, the residence of William Ferguson Jr. is a substantial middle class home of the early 19th Century.

Ferguson built this home for his retirement after a lifetime of farming in the nearby Alexander Valley. His father, W.W. Ferguson, Sr., had settled in the Valley in 1857. William Jr. had been born in the California gold fields in 1855, after the family had moved there from Indiana in 1849. Of the seven children in the Ferguson family, William was the only one that spent his life farming, as had his father.

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).

Tax Asses.
Hist. of So. Co. 1880

22. Date form prepared August 11, 1983

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