

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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HABS _____ HAER _____ NR 5 SHL _____ Loc _____
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IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: _____
2. Historic name: W. S. Beeson House
3. Street or rural address: 5376 Highway 128
City Geyserville, CA Zip 95448 County Sonoma
4. Parcel number: 131-090-20-1
5. Present Owner: Sceales, Ralph & Janice L. Address: 5376 Highway 128
City Geyserville, CA Zip 95441 Ownership is: Public _____ Private X
6. Present Use: Residential Original use: Residential

DESCRIPTION

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

A flared hip roof tops this one story bungalow with a vented dormer. There is also a shed roofed addition to one side. The open cornice has exposed rafter tails. Some of the windows are plain double-hung and some are aluminum sliders. Plain boards frame the door and double-hungs while the aluminum windows have no frames at all. A recessed porch partially extends down two sides. Where it turns the corner is a three windowed angled bay. Slightly tapered square columns rest on a solid balustrade covered in the same narrow lap rustic siding as the rest of the structure.



8. Construction date:
Estimated _____ Factual 1901
9. Architect _____
10. Builder James Patchett
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
Frontage _____ Depth _____
or approx. acreage 21.92
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
19 Feb 83 44/23

13. Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated No longer in existence
14. Alterations: Added bays
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: Vineyards

SIGNIFICANCE

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)
 This house was built in 1901 by James Patchett for W. S. and Caroline Beeson. At least three generations of the Beeson family have practiced the trade of blacksmithing and wagonmaking. William Sanders Beeson, born in North Carolina in 1825, crossed the plains in 1853 and located at this site in 1857. His father, Issac was famed for making the first plow in Santa Clara County. W. S., besides ranching, had a blacksmith shop in Healdsburg and then his son, William Isaac, holding true to the family tradition, became a blacksmith. W. S. Beeson died in 1902.

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 1
 Government Military
 Religion Social/Education 2

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).
 Coast Counties, 1904, pg. 1410
 So. Co. Hist. 1926, pg. 564
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