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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: _____
2. Historic name: George Ferguson House
3. Street or rural address: 502 Tucker
City Healdsburg, CA Zip 95448 County Sonoma
4. Parcel number: 002-282-08-5
5. Present Owner: Winchester, Aubrey A. & Ruby E. Address: 502 Tucker Street
City Healdsburg, CA Zip 95448 Ownership is: Public _____ Private X
6. Present Use: Residential Original use: Residential

DESCRIPTION

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

The main square volume of this home has an angled bay in front and on the right side, and an octagonal tower above a five-sided bay surrounded by an angled verandah. The house has a mult-ridged hip roof with separate roofs over the tower, bays and verandah. The eaves have a plain fascia board but the exposed rafters have decoratively cut ends. The windows are double-hung with some of the upper sashes having triangular panes. The five-sided bay has single panes while the tower above has quatrefoil windows. This home has lap rustic siding which also forms the solid balustrade. The verandah has four Tuscan columns and a metal railing along the stairs (probably a recent addition). The two doors that open onto the verandah have screen doors with sawn brackets and spindle work. A decorative wishing well is set in the front.



8. Construction date:
Estimated _____ Factual 1901
9. Architect _____
10. Builder James W. Terry
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
Frontage 57 Depth 145.4
or approx. acreage _____
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
28 Sept. 82 25/06

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: Two car barn, wishing well

SIGNIFICANCE

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)
This home was built in 1901 by James W. Terry for George P. and Dacia Ferguson. George Ferguson was involved in the hardware business with his father H.O. Ferguson, first as a junior partner in 1898, then in 1920 buying out his father's partner, and finally in 1923, at his father's death, becoming the sole proprietor. The Ferguson Hardware Store was located on Plaza Street in downtown Healdsburg. George was a very successful and prominent member of the community. This transitional cottage is noteworthy for its octagonal entry tower with quatrefoil windows and open sawn rafters. It thusly presents a simple but elegant facade.

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).
Int: N.T. McMinn
Hist. of So. Co. 1926
Trib: 7/18/01
8/9/23/1890

22. Date form prepared August 12, 1983
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