HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION
1. Common name: Murphy Ranch
2. Historic name: Meisner House
3. Street or rural address: 3740 Highway 128
   City Geyserville, CA  Zip 95441 County Sonoma
4. Parcel number: 131-060-02-2
5. Present Owner: Murphy, Timothy J. Jr. & Doreen Address: 3740 Hwy. 128
   City Geyserville, CA  Zip 95441 Ownership is: Public Private X
6. Present Use: Residential Original use: Residential

DESCRIPTION
7a. Architectural style: Gablet Farm House with Victorian Details
7b. Briefly describe the present physical description of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

The front volume of this one-story L-shaped residence comprises the original house built in 1880. The added gabled bays were completed in 1910 and remodeled in 1970's. The old section has a gablet roof, with shingled gable end and brace. The windows are tall narrow double-hung. The porch across the front has beveled pillars with curved brackets.

8. Construction date: Estimated  Factual 1880
9. Architect
10. Builder
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
    Frontage  Depth
    or approx. acreage 20
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
    31 Jan 83 42/27
13. Condition: Excellent __X__ Good ___ Fair ___ Deteriorated ___ No longer in existence ___

14. Alterations: __One window widened 1910 and added bays to rear___

15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land __X__ Scattered buildings ___ Densely built-up ___ Residential ___ 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: __Vineyards___

SIGNIFICANCE

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

This home, built in 1880 for W. McPherson, about whom nothing is known. The property later came into the hands of Frank Meisner, and in 1925 became the Cavallo ranch.

This gablet cottage utilizes an unusual amount of victorian detailing to adorn a simple farm residence.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)

Architecture __X__ Arts & Leisure
Economic/Industrial __ Exploration/Settlement ___
Government ___ Military ___
Religion ___ Social/Education ___

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).

Int.: Rose Benson 1/83
t.J. Murphy 12/82
So. Co. Atlas 1877, 1898

22. Date form prepared ___ August 16, 1983 ___

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