IDENTIFICATION
1. Common name: Sydney Johnson Residence
2. Historic name: Logan Whitehurst Home
3. Street or rural address: 170 West Ninth Street
   City: Gilroy Zip 95020 County: Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 79901127
5. Present Owner: Sandra Rappazini
   Address: 170 West Ninth Street
   City: Gilroy Zip 95020 Ownership is: Public Private X
6. Present Use: Residence Original use: Residence

DESCRIPTION
7a. Architectural style: Neoclassic
7b. Briefly describe the present physical appearance of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

This large, architecturally complex home is hidden behind a small forest of a variety of trees and is located on a lot which covers about one half of the entire block. The property surrounding this house, including lots across Church and Ninth streets, is part of the estate and has been kept vacant. The house has a double hipped gambrel roofline with enclosed eaves, dentils and a decorated frieze. The large, second floor gable facing Church Street has an oblong window and is topped with a very fancy and exclusive finial. The narrow clapboard siding is interrupted in the smaller gable above the veranda porch by a row of three double hung windows decorated with wood crisscross patterns. The classic influence is also reflected in the round columns on the porch and the pedimented window outlines.

8. Construction date:
   Estimated Factual 1909
10. Builder: Hansen
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
    Frontage 151 Depth 190
    or approx. acreage
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
    Mar. 1986
    8670-36
    8679-8

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Lyttleton A. Whitehurst (born 1834, Virginia) came west during the Gold Rush. After failing to strike it big, he went east returning to California in 1859 to engage in lumbering in the hills above San Jose. In 1870, he moved to Gilroy and purchased a major interest in William Hanna's old lumber mill. In 1876, he was elected to the Gilroy Common Council and by 1879 was president of the Gilroy Bank. His public service continued with two terms as City Treasurer 1882-86 and 1899-92. In 1892, he was elected Mayor. During this time his business interests expanded into agriculture and the canning industry. In the same year he was elected Mayor, he was also elected to the California State Senate.

Lumbering was a major business and under the partnership with Pleasant Hodges, the team bought a planning and finishing mill, completing all the necessary functions to take lumber from the forest to finished boards. In 1924, with lumbering on the wain around Gilroy, the Whitehurst Hodges holdings were sold.