HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION
1. Common name: Tuttle House
2. Historic name: Tuttle House
3. Street or rural address: 268 Fifth Street
   City: Gilroy Zip: 95020 County: Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 79900721
5. Present Owner: Howard Smith
   Address: 268 Fifth Street
   City: Gilroy Zip: 95020 Ownership is: Public Private: X
6. Present Use: Residence Original use: Residence

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

A two story, medium gabled pioneer that has been well preserved over the years, this house has enclosed eaves with wide clapboard siding. The height of the building is magnified by the use of tall windows on both floors. The trellis which goes part way around the west side of the house is supported by beveled columns and there is a carport on the east side which is a more recent addition. Decoration is limited to an transom window above the front entrance and cut boards at the ends of the trellis roof. The trellis itself is of a more recent vintage than the simple rectangular residence and is repeated on various other houses in the neighborhood as well as on the Wheeler auditorium on 6th Street. The vertical massing of windows and door add a Greek Revival touch to the Pioneer style. Mature landscape distinguishes the site as it does the entire neighborhood. The later brick and iron fence compliments the similarly designed fence at 286, next door.

8. Construction date:
   Estimated ______ Factual 1869
9. Architect: Unknown
10. Builder: Unknown
11. Approx. property size (in feet):
    Frontage __50__ Depth: __20__
    or approx. acreage ____________
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s) Mar. 1986

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This well preserved and interesting Pioneer style house was built in 1869 for Emma B. Tuttle. Like many homes in a growing community, this house had to be moved to make room for newer residences. This house was across its own lot to make room for the Lester home to the west. The move was made in 1922 and has not affected the importance of the structure in the streetscape of Fifth Street.