

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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HABS _____ HAER _____ Loc _____ SHL No. _____ NR Status 5
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IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: _____
2. Historic name: Quale Maternity Home
3. Street or rural address: 7750 Hanna Street
City Gilroy Zip 95020 County Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 79900235
5. Present Owner: Mildred Quale Address: 7750 Hanna 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:

Offset gable roofline with a small fantail decoration in the gable facing the street. Clapboard siding with an awning above the front window. The recessed porch as been partially enclosed and is supported by square pilliars.



8. Construction date:
Estimated 1900 Factual _____
9. Architect _____
Unknown
10. Builder _____
Unknown
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
Frontage 70 Depth 140
or approx. acreage _____
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
Mar. 1986

13. Condition: Excellent ___ Good X Fair ___ Deteriorated ___ No longer in existence ___
14. Alterations: additions to original structure
15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land ___ Scattered buildings ___ Densely built-up X
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? ___ Moved? X Unknown? ___
18. Related features: _____

SIGNIFICANCE

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

The Scherrer house was originally located on the southwest corner of First Street and Church Street, and was moved to this location in 1923. It became the Quale Maternity Home, operated by Mildred Heisman, a nurse trained at the Columbia Nursing School in San Jose. Dr. Prien advised the home staff for over 15 years, delivering over 200 Gilroy babies. The Maternity Home was closed in 1941 when Wheeler Hospital opened a maternity ward and Ms. Heisman went to work at the hospital.

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 ___
Government ___ Military ___
Religion ___ Social/Education 1

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates):
Interview - Mary Prien 11/85

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Locational sketch map (draw and label site and surrounding streets, roads, and prominent landmarks):

