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Original survey photo (ca. 1990)

APN: 5840-001-001 AHAD ID: 13933

Year Built: 1887 (estimated) Year Built (Assessor): 1887 Year Built (Other): 1882

Legal Description: Lot 4, Blk. 12, Map #1

Quadrant: Not on File

Current Lot Size: Not on File

Historic Name: The Woodbury House

Style: Victorian

Stories: 2

Type: Residence

CHRS: 1S

Roehrig (attributed to) (1898)

Builders: N (attributed to)

Foss Co. (attributed to) (1916)

Building Permits: None on File

Alterations:

Cost	Description	Year
	N/A	1928
	N/A	1916
	N/A	1898

Original Owner: Woodbury, Fred

Original Owner Occupation: Not on File

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Place of Business: Not on File

Other Owners:

Name	Years	Comment
Story, Hampton L. (A.B.?)	1894	N/A
Goddard, Ralf	N/A	N/A
Heidelburger, Otto	N/A	N/A
Strong, George	1950	N/A
Reetzke, James (Elizabeth)	1967	N/A

Original Cost: Not on File Original Lot Size: 10 acres Moved on to Property: N Former Addresses:

Address	Years
655 E Mariposa Altadena, CA 91001	N/A

Address Notes: Not on File

Note:

Original survey notes:

-Ranch house for Woodburys' 'Piedmont Ranch';

-1898: music room added on west end;

-1916: garage;

-1928: servants' cottage in rear;

-1933: operated as Royal Tree Tavern;

-1948: used as sheriff's station;

-1971: designated California Point of Historical Interest

-SHPO Description: The characteristics of this two-story Italianate can be seen in the bracketed low pitched hip roof, the tall crowned windows and the front porch with its distinctive columns and decorative frieze. The front porch is the

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focal point of the house with six wooden columns supporting a low hip roof. These columns are typical of the Italianate style with their curved brackets and sawtooth frieze detail.

The house is covered with wide horizontal lap siding. The house rests on a raised concrete perimeter foundation and is covered with a wooden lattice skirt. Two corbeled brick chimneys punctuate the roof line.

In 1898, noted Pasadena architect, Frederick Roehrig, carefully designed the front west addition to blend with the rest of the house, but purposely designed the music room in the Colonial Revival style, popular at the turn-of-the-century. This was probably done so as to set off this important addition saw the mark of the new owner, Hampton Story.

Although this house has had many owners, uses, and sustained several additions, it retains a strong sense of time and place - as a residence with ties to the Italianate style of the early 1880s combined with well thought out changes in both scale and materials that typify the best of later periods.

Added 10/22/2015:

- -1993: entered in the National Register of Historic Places
- >>Text file:http://pdfhost.focus.nps.gov/docs/nrhp/text/93001463.pdf
- >>Photos: http://pdfhost.focus.nps.gov/docs/nrhp/photos/93001463.pdf

Sources:

Builder & Contractor (journal) 2/2/98

Gebhard, p. 305

Altadena's Golden Years by Robert H. Peterson (book), pp. 7, 26, 91

Altadena by Sara Noble Ives (book), pp. 83, 105

Information from William Wilson Co. real estate files

Picture file

Altadena Heritage files, Woodbury House

Foss collection

California Historical Resource Status (CHRS) Codes Key

Code Description

1S Individual property listed in National Register by the Keeper. Listed in the California

Register.

3CD Appears eligible for California Register as a contributor to a California Register

eligible district through a survey evaluation.

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3CS Appears eligible for California Register as an individual property through survey evaluation.

3S Appears eligible for National Register as an individual property through survey evaluation.

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