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## NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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## TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS NAME HISTORIC Tidball (Jolon) Store AND/OR COMMON Jolon General Store 2 LOCATION Jolon Rd. approximately 1/4 mile from present Jolon Post Office, near junction of Hunter-Liggett Military STREET & NUMBER Reservation Rd. NOT FOR PUBLICATION CITY, TOWN CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 16th District Jolon VICINITY OF CODE STATE CODE COUNTY California Monterey 06 053 **3** CLASSIFICATION CATEGORY OWNERSHIP STATUS PRESENT USE \_\_DISTRICT PUBLIC OCCUPIED \_AGRICULTURE \_\_\_MUSEUM X\_PRIVATE \_XBUILDING(S) X\_UNOCCUPIED \_\_\_COMMERCIAL \_\_\_PARK \_\_\_STRUCTURE \_\_вотн .....WORK IN PROGRESS \_EDUCATIONAL **MATE RESIDENCE** \_\_\_SITE PUBLIC ACQUISITION ACCESSIBLE \_\_\_ENTERTAINMENT -RELIGIOUS OBJECT KES: RESTRICTED .....IN PROCESS \_\_\_GOVERNMENT \_\_SCIENTIFIC \_\_\_BEING CONSIDERED \_\_\_YES: UNRESTRICTED INDUSTRIAL \_\_TRANSPORTATION -OTHER: \_\_\_NO \_\_MILITARY **4 OWNER OF PROPERTY** NAME Ramona Sutfin STREET & NUMBER General Delivery CITY, TOWN STATE California 93928 Jolon VICINITY OF LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION COURTHOUSE REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Monterey County, Recorders Office STREET & NUMBER P. O. Box 29 CITY, TOWN STATE Salinas California **6** REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS TITLE Statewide Inventory of Historic Sites DATE January 3, 1975 \_\_FEDERAL X\_STATE \_\_COUNTY \_\_LOCAL DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS CA Dept. of Parks and Recreation, P. O. Box 2390 CITY, TOWN STATE Sacramento California 95811

## 7 DESCRIPTION

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Since 1950 the building has been used as a store with living quarters for the owners on the second floor. Within the main two-story frame structure there are remains of the original adobe overnight house in the form of an existing wall. That structure was originally built in 1868 by Flint & Bixby Stage Lines. The redwood framing of the two-story hotel added to the earlier adobe in 1890 is still intact. A major portion of the original shingle roof has been replaced with galvanized iron, and a dormered window appears to have been appended to the second story on the west end of the main structure as a second double sash window with mullion being added to the original double sash on the right front of the two-story structure and in the left front of the larger building. Door changes are apparent in the Post Office to the left front of the two-story structure and in the left front of the larger building itself.

Interior alteration includes partitioning dividing the original store into two rooms and the removal of the original staircase to the rear west end of the structure and a fireplace has been closed. The structure has been painted a number of times since its period of greatest importance in the decade preceeding the turn of the twentieth century and is currently two-toned red and pale green.

The setting is rural, approximately one hundred yards off the original El Camino Real and 1/8 mile from the present site of Jolon in its period of greatest activity at least two other businesses existed in close proximity and in the same side of the roadway. They are no longer extant and the building in question is isolated from any other structure.



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<u>X</u> 1800-1899	COMMERCE	EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	PHILOSOPHY	X TRANSPORTATION
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SPECIFIC DATES			
	1890	~	1910

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Renson Plaskett (?)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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Captain Tidball's Store in Jolon, Monterey County, owes it's Uniqueness and significance to the fact that it is the only commercial building still standing and intact in what was once the thriving stage stop, trading and social center of Southern Monterey County, Jolon.

The Dutton Hotel, a National Register building and Tidball's chief competitor for the supply of food-stuffs, clothing, building supplies and other necessities to a wide range of consumers including stage travellers, ranchers, and miners from the Los Burros district of the Santa Lucia Range, and occasional local Indians, at present is no more than a ruin.

Tidball & Dutton had originally been partners in the stage stop and hotel bearing the latters name. In 1878, due to marked differences of opinion, political and otherwise, Capt. Tidball moved his activities about  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile south of the Dutton Hotel and went into business for himself. The local post office moved with changing political administrations from one facility to the other during their active periods, keynoting the differences between the former partners.

The Tidball building looks today, except for very minor alterations, as it did in 1890, the year of its final transition from an adobe way station, to a proper retail store and the hayday of commercial activities in Jolon. The coming of the S.P. Railroad to King City in 1886 followed by a highway bypassing the old El Camino Real in 1910 doomed the popular social center of the San Antonio Valley to decline and obscurity.

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