

**United States Department of the Interior  
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form**

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*  
Type all entries—complete applicable sections



**1. Name**

historic Hackett House

and/or common N/A

**2. Location**

street & number 2109 First Street N/A not for publication

city, town Napa N/A vicinity of congressional district #2

state California code 06 county Napa code 055

**3. Classification**

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

**4. Owner of Property**

name Dr. and Mrs. Barry Zacherle

street & number 2109 First Street

city, town Napa N/A vicinity of state CA 94558

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Napa County Recorder's Office

street & number 1195 Third Street

city, town Napa state CA 94559

**6. Representation in Existing Surveys**

title Napa County  
Historic Resources Survey has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date 8/10/78  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records Napa Landmarks, Inc., P.O. Box 702

city, town Napa state CA 94559

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## 7. Description

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<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date <u>          N/A          </u>
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

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### **Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance**

The Hackett House, a one and one-half story frame Queen Anne/Eastlake cottage built in 1889, is situated on its original site on First Street in the City of Napa. It rests on the original cut stone foundation and displays its striking Queen Anne and Eastlake ornamentation on the unaltered main facade to the street. The exterior and interior architectural features of the Hackett House were rehabilitated in 1979; expansion of the kitchen to include the original back porch (south-east corner) does not detract from the architectural integrity of the residence which remains essentially intact. The Hackett House is a strong contributor to an exemplary residential streetscape with distinctive examples of late 19th and early 20th century architectural style.

The cottage has channel siding and rests on a raised foundation of cut stone. The multi-planed roof is hipped with a decorative shingled gable in the main (First Street) facade. It sits on a standard city lot (60' x 132') with its main (north) facade oriented to First Street. The distinctive features of the main facade include an elaborate front porch, wrapping around the east side in an L, supported by chamfered columns with pierced (sunburst) curved brackets; a porch pediment with decorative carved panels; an intricate wood porch balustrade; one over one sash windows with the upper sash containing borders of small lights; and panelled front and side doors. The main entrance contains the original panelled front door with a single light and an etched glass transom above the door with the legend "953" (the original First Street address).

Vertical wood siding conceals the raised foundation. Walls are sheathed in horizontal channel siding with one over one sash windows; a decorative shingled frieze below the eaves encircles the cottage. An original stained glass window with one over one sash, on the west side, opens into the entry ("reception") hall.

The rear (south) is stepped back, allowing one over one sash windows to bring light into the back rooms. The original glazing of the enclosed back porch and steps (south and east sides) has been replaced in the expansion of the original kitchen into the back porch in 1979; a wood deck was added off the rear step in 1979.

The original interior room divisions remain essentially intact: sitting room, dining room, kitchen, two bedrooms, storeroom, pantry, and reception hall. Sitting room and dining room have been joined as one room (date unknown) and the kitchen expanded to include the back porch (1979). One of two interior fireplaces, a brick fireplace in the dining room, remains.

Redwood cabinetry, sliding doors, wainscoting, and moldings, significant features of the 1889 cottage, have been restored and hardware and fixtures of the period installed in the 1979 rehabilitation of the residence.

The only other features located on the property are modern landscaping and a small driveway on the west side of the house.

# 8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify) Civic Leader

**Specific dates** 1889 **Builder/Architect** J. W. Hoover/Luther M. Turton

### Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Hackett House, a Queen Anne/Eastlake cottage designed by Luther M. Turton, prolific Napa architect of the late 19th and early 20th centuries and built for newspaper publisher and editor Dwight L. Hackett and Mollie Hackett in 1889, is an excellent local example of 19th century residential design. It is a strong contributor to the architecturally significant residential streetscape of First Street, Napa. First Street exhibits a wide range of architectural styles (Italianate, Second Empire, Queen Anne, Colonial Revival, Shingle, Bungalow) including several examples of Turton's designs: the Kahn House (1910 First Street, Colonial Revival/Shingle, c. 1905) and the Francis House (1926 First Street, Shingle, c. 1905). In Turton's legacy of large residences and commercial buildings are many of Napa's architectural landmarks, including several on the National Register of Historic Places. The Hackett House is an unusually well-preserved and well-documented example of a small cottage design by Turton which has retained its architectural integrity in exterior and interior detail and illustrates a less recognized facet of Turton's career: his small cottage designs. Historically significant, the Hackett House was the residence of Dwight L. Hackett, Publisher and Editor of the Napa County Reporter.

In March 1884, Dwight L. Hackett assumed control as Publisher and Editor of the daily and weekly Napa County Reporter.<sup>1/</sup> In an era of fierce political partisanship in newspapers, Hackett established a Democratic editorial policy for the Reporter. His major newspaper rival was G. M. Francis, Publisher and Editor of the Republican Napa Register.

In November 1888, Mollie N. Hackett, wife of Dwight L. Hackett, acquired Lot 2 in G. G. Pinkham's Subdivision on First Street. Four months later, the Hackett's cottage was near completion.<sup>2/</sup>

Luther M. Turton was the architect and J. W. Hoover, local carpenter-builder, the contractor. Turton, Napa's foremost architect, successfully spanned the late 19th and early 20th centuries, progressing from the Queen Anne/Eastlake influences of his early career to the Bungalow and Prairie styles popular at his death in 1925. Raised in Napa, Turton apprenticed with McDougall & Sons in San Francisco until 1887. Turton's designs for the large residences of Napa's merchants and professionals are well known, as are his commercial designs.<sup>3/</sup> Turton lived on First Street for several years (1033 First Street), as did Hoover, the contractor.

In May 1889, Dwight L. Hackett, suffering from severe financial setbacks in Napa, disappeared.<sup>4/</sup> He reappeared in St. Louis in a disoriented state and was institutionalized; eventually, he returned to Napa. However, the Napa County Reporter closed c. 1890. It was replaced by the Napa Daily Journal which continued until the 1920s. Today, the Napa Register remains Napa County's only local daily newspaper.

The Hackett House was sold by the Hacketts in 1901 to Arthur H. Shepard, Assistant Postmaster in Napa. It remained in the Shepard family until 1954; there have been several subsequent owners. The present owners rehabilitated the Hackett House in 1979 as their residence; the architectural integrity of the exterior facades was maintained and the interior architectural detailing restored. The well-preserved Hackett House, an excellent example of Queen Anne/Eastlake cottage design, has been included in the local historic resources survey and rated by the review committee as eligible for listing in the National Register.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Sanborn Maps, 1891; Napa City and County Portfolio and Directory; Polk Directory (1910-11).

DEEDS 44:395, 68:445; DEEDS 436:214; Napa Register: 2-29-1884, 3-8-1889, 1-4-1889, 2-22-1884, 8-14-1891 (3:1), 5-3-1889 (1:6, 3:1), 5-10-1889 (1:4), 5-17-1889

Napa County Historic Resources Inventory (1-5, 1-7), 5-24-1889 (1-3)

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 0.186

Quadrangle name Napa Quad.

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

### UMT References

A 

1	0	5	6	1	6	2	0	4	2	3	8	8	2	0
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B 

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H 

Zone			Easting				Northing							

### Verbal boundary description and justification

Assessor's Parcel Number 2-152-6. Boundary is the legal lot line per attached plat map from assessor's office. Property occupies its historic 60' x 132' lot.

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state N/A code county N/A code

state N/A code county N/A code

## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Judith A. Munns/John Whitridge, AICP

Revised:

organization N/A

date June 29, 1983/October 28, 1983

street & number 1512 Fourth Street

telephone (707) 252-1021

city or town Napa

state CA 94559

## 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national  state  local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

*Marion Mitchell-Wilson*

title

*Deputy SHPO*

date

*3/15/84*

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I hereby certify that

Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

Chief of Registry

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

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CONTINUATION SHEET 1

ITEM NUMBER 8

PAGE (Footnotes)

/1/ The Napa Register (2-22-1884, 2:1):

"J. E. Walden announces that on March 1st he will sever his connection with the Daily and Weekly Reporter. It is understood that Dwight L. Hackett will succeed him.

The Napa Register (2-29-1884, 3:6) from Woodland Democrat, 2-24-1884:

"Mr. D. L. Hackett, who has been connected with the Democrat [Woodland Democrat] as local editor about fourteen months, left Woodland yesterday to take charge of the Napa Register, which he has leased for a term of years, and of which he will assume control as editor and publisher on the first of March. We regret having to part with him, as he is not only a sterling Democrat and a ready writer, but is a true man and every inch a gentleman. Mr. Hackett has our unqualified endorsement, and we hope he will fare well at the hands of the Democracy and also the business community of Napa County.-Woodland Democrat Feb. 24th [1884]"

/2/ The Napa Register (3-8-1889, 1:4):

"A Pretty Cottage. One of the neatest and best arranged dwellings we have seen for some time is the new cottage of D. L. Hackett on First Street. The house contains sitting-room, dining-room, kitchen, two bedrooms, storeroom, bathroom, pantry and reception hall. The sitting room and dining room contain fireplaces. All the rooms are trimmed in redwood, which when oiled and varnished presents a beautiful appearance. In the rear is an enclosed porch and the front and side also are protected and ornamented by porches. The house will be painted white, also the fence in front.

Contractor Hoover has taken great pains with the finish and the result speaks well for the workmanship. Mr. Hoover has also the contract for building Ralph Wilson's cottage [on Oak Street]. The plans of both were drawn by L. M. Turton."

/3/ Commercial buildings of Luther Turton which have been placed on the National Register include: Goodman Library (1219 First, Romanesque, 1901); Semorile Building (975 First, Italianate, 1888); Winship Building (948 Main, Italianate, 1888). Turton's residences include: the Migliavacca House (1473 Fourth, Queen Anne, 1895, National Register); the Gifford House (608 Randolph, Queen Anne, c.1890); the Lamdin House (590 Randolph, Queen Anne/Shingle, c.1895). See the Napa County Historic Resources Inventory for more complete listing of Turton's work.

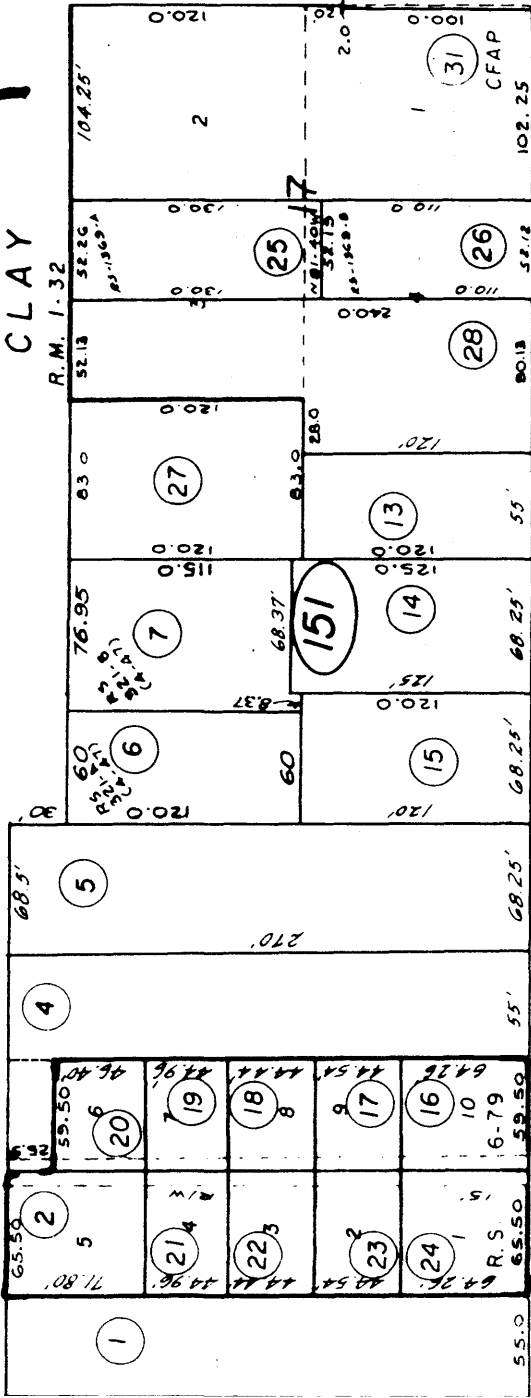
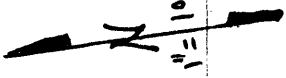
/4/ The Napa Register (5-3-1889):

"Hackett's Whereabouts. Seen on the Streets of San Francisco Thursday afternoon. Charles Hackett, the dentist, returned from San Francisco last night after a vain search for his brother Dwight... The fact that his business and money matters were in a bad way is no excuse for Hackett's disappearance. A man cannot be imprisoned for debt...It looks like aberration of the mind."

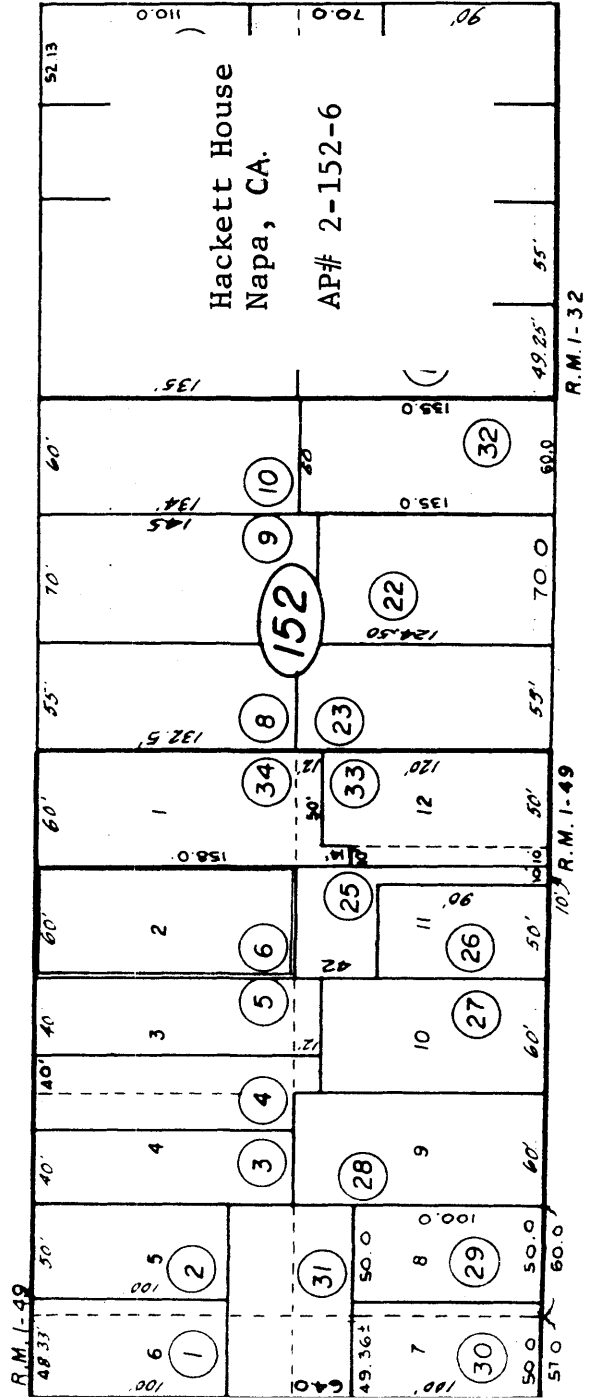
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 2109 First Street  
 Napa, Napa County, CA

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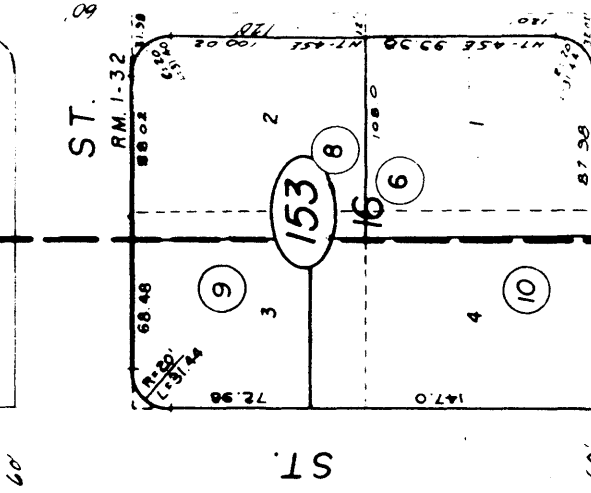


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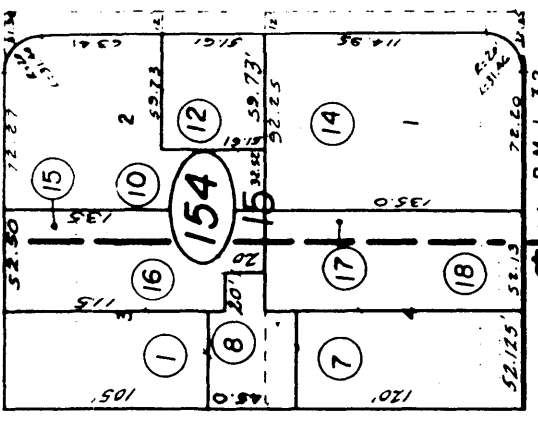
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