

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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**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 A. S. Bradford Home

AND/OR COMMON
The Bradford House

LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
136 Palm Circle

CITY, TOWN
Placentia

STATE
California

VICINITY OF
CODE
06

NOT FOR PUBLICATION
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
39th

COUNTY
Orange

CODE
059 ✓

CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC ACQUISITION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
			<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
			<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER: under re- construction; anticipated use as checked

OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
City of Placentia

STREET & NUMBER
401 East Chapman Avenue

CITY, TOWN
Placentia

Kraemer Boulevard & STATE
VICINITY OF Yorba Linda Blvd. California

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.
Orange County Recorder

STREET & NUMBER
630 North Broadway

CITY, TOWN
Santa Ana

STATE
California

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE (A) "The Bradford House" excerpt from a report to Placentia City Council
(B) Historical Residences, City of Placentia by John Cornelius

DATE (A) April 1974 (B) 1975

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS
City Hall

CITY, TOWN
Placentia

STATE
California

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Bradford House, built in 1902 in an orange grove of which a remnant remains, is a large two-storied shingle Colonial Revival structure. A wide front veranda, ornamented with simple Colonial Revival columns, extends around the west and east sides of the house. There are decorative door overhangs on the west and south sides of the house and a projecting bay on the east side. Originally, the simple eave bracketing was repeated in the roof cresting which has since been removed.

A recent fire destroyed the roof, which has since been replaced, and damaged the interior. The carpeting, wallpapers, paint, and damaged trim is being replaced. Valuable mantel pieces, leaded glass curved cabinet doors, and light fixtures have been stored and will be reinstalled during rehabilitation. A portion of the veranda which had been enclosed at one point has been returned to its original condition.

The house is situated on its original two and a half acre site. The house and grounds have been given to the City of Placentia by its owner, the grandson of the founder of the city.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

National Cyclopedia of American Biography, Vol. 52.
History of Orange County, California with Biographical Sketches of the Leading Men and Women of the County Who Have Been Identified With Its Growth and Development, Samuel Armor, 1921.
Anaheim Gazette, 6/5/02, 7/3/02, 8/28/02, 12/11/02, related to House (150 references to family).
Fullerton Tribune -- Placentia Courier

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 2 1/2 acres upon which house was built

QUADRANGLE NAME _____			QUADRANGLE SCALE _____		
UTM REFERENCES					
A	<u>1,1</u>	<u>4,2,0</u> <u>1,4,0</u>	<u>3,7</u> <u>4,9</u> <u>9,2,0</u>	B	_____
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE EASTING NORTHING
C	_____	_____	_____	D	_____
E	_____	_____	_____	F	_____
G	_____	_____	_____	H	_____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

See enclosed Assessor's Map, Book 75, Page 04, County of Orange.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Clairee Tynes, President, Founders' Society

ORGANIZATION

Placentia Founders' Society

DATE

December 27, 1977

STREET & NUMBER

134 Anned Drive

TELEPHONE

(714) 528-2973

CITY OR TOWN

Placentia

STATE

California 92670

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 National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Knox Mellon

TITLE State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE 5/22/78

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST:

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

William Lebovich
 CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

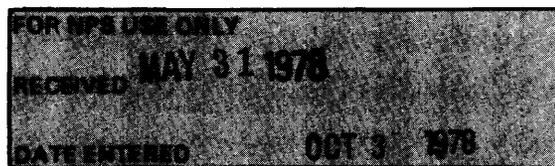
DATE

10/3/78

DATE

Sept 28, 1978

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Bradford took part in all community activities; he was a director for many years for the Anaheim Union Water Company, which furnished Placentia's water; served on the Placentia School Board, 1892, as well as the Fullerton High School Board. He was active in local politics as a Republican and was a high Mason. He helped secure electricity, gas, and telephones for the area, serving on the boards of many companies.

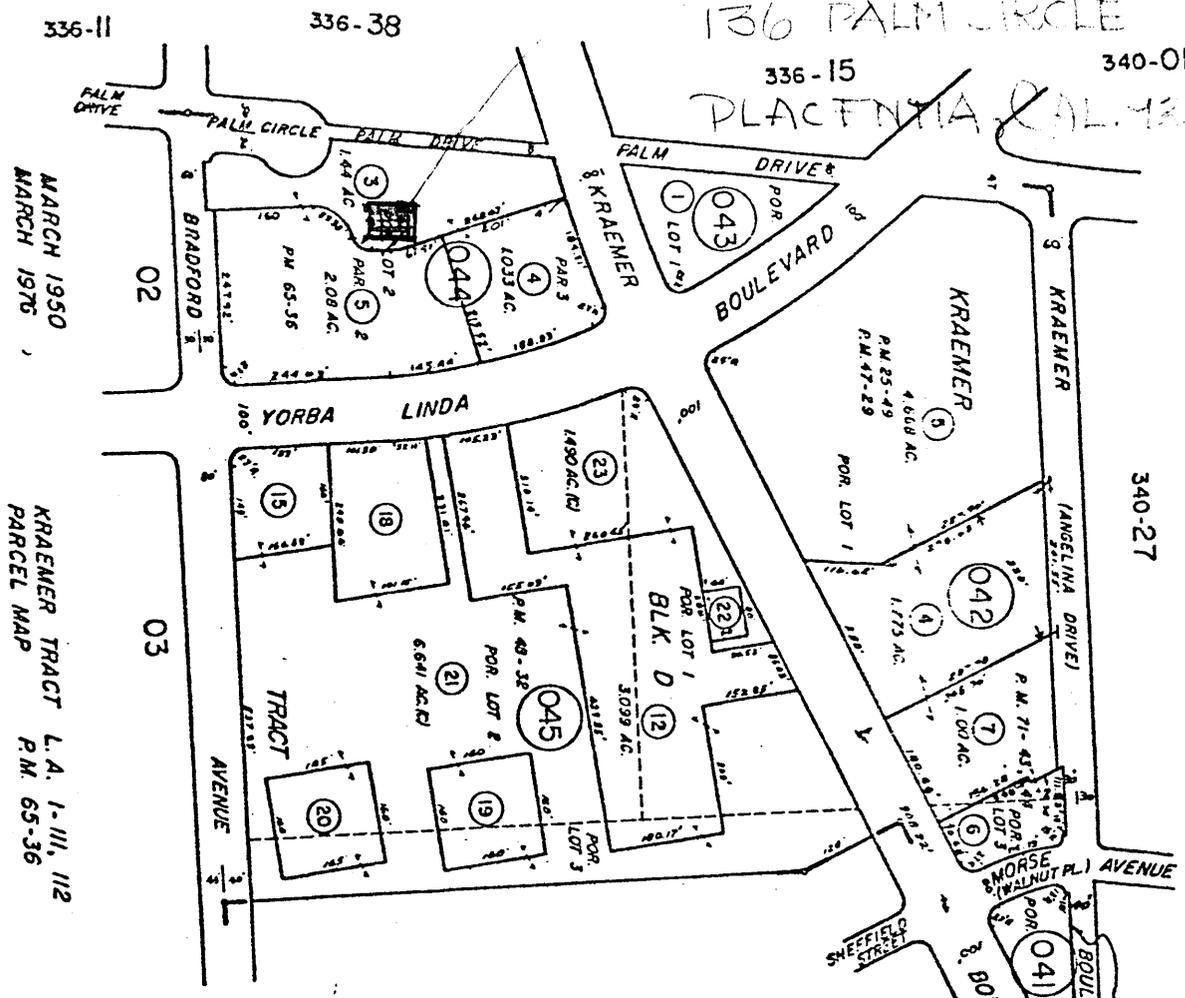
As the founder of Placentia, he headed the effort to secure rights of way to enable the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway to build a track through the district. Then he bought 60 acres by the new depot from Richard Melrose, laid out lots and streets, and on September 19, 1910, filed the PLAT OF THE TOWNSITE OF PLACENTIA.

He then erected a brick building and organized the Placentia National and the Placentia Savings banks and a Domestic Water Company, serving as president of both. He promoted the opening of a post office and the publishing of a newspaper, the Placentia Courier; gave land and support to the Presbyterian Church and the Placentia Round Table Woman's Club. He helped organize the Chamber of Commerce and was its president until his death in 1933. For years he was in charge of the Placentia exhibit in the San Bernardino Orange Show, winning many prizes.

In 1973 Bradford's heirs deeded the house and 2½ acres of land to the City of Placentia for "public cultural, park, or educational purposes."

In February of 1978, the Orange County Board of Supervisors Historical Commission awarded a plaque to commemorate the Bradford House as a site of historical significance to Orange County residents.

BRADFORD
 TRACT
 136 PALM CIRCLE
 336-15
 340-01
 PLACENTIA CAL. 92670

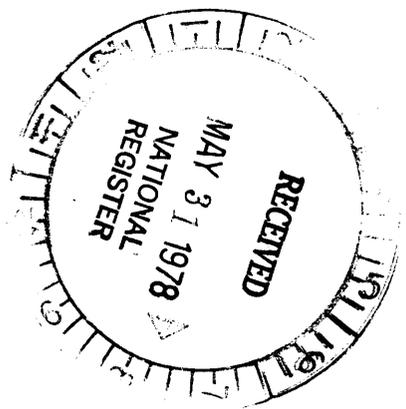


MARCH 1950
 MARCH 1976

KRAEMER TRACT L.A. 1-III, 112
 PARCEL MAP P.M. 65-36

NOTE - ASSESSOR'S BLOCK &
 PARCEL NUMBERS
 SHOWN IN CIRCLES

ASSESSOR'S MAP
 BOOK 75 PAGE 04
 COUNTY OF ORANGE



340-03

1" = 200'

LAWANDA PLACE

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