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Continuation Sheet

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SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 01000077

Date Listed: 2/12/2001

Galarneaux, Mary Haley, House  
Property Name

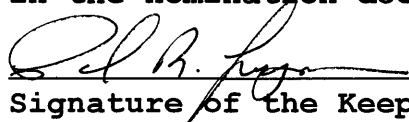
Sacramento  
County

CA  
State

N/A

Multiple Name

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This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

  
Signature of the Keeper

2/12/2001  
Date of Action

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Amended Items in Nomination:

Period of Significance:

The period of significance is revised to incorporate the date of the building's historic twentieth-century relocation: **1890--1915.**

Acreage:

The correct acreage is: **less than one acre.**

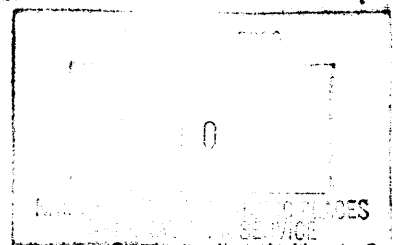
These revisions were confirmed with Maryln Lortie of CA SHPO.

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DISTRIBUTION:

- National Register property file
- Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)

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National Register Of Historic Places  
Registration Form



This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "X" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Galarneaux, Mary Haley House

other names/site number \_\_\_\_\_

2. Location

street & number 922-924 T Street  not for publication

city or town Sacramento  vicinity

state California code CA county Sacramento code 067 zip code 95814

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this  nomination  request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant  nationally  statewide  locally. ( See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Harriet Almy  
Signature of certifying official/Title

12/29/00  
Date

California Office of Historic Preservation  
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria. ( See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of commenting or other official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register
  - See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the National Register
  - See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register
- other (explain) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

[Signature]

2/12/01

**5. Classification**

**Ownership of Property**  
(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

**Category of Property**  
(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

**Number of Resources within Property**  
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1		buildings
		sites
		structures
		objects
1		<b>Total</b>

**Name of related multiple property listing**  
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

N/A

**Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register**

**6. Function or Use**

**Historic Functions**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/Single Dwelling

Domestic/Multiple Dwelling

**Current Functions**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/Multiple Dwelling

**7. Description**

**Architectural Classification**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

Late Victorian

**Materials**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Brick

roof Asphalt

walls Weatherboard

other

**Narrative Description**

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

**8. Statement of Significance**

**Applicable National Register Criteria**

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

**Criteria Considerations**

(Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

**Narrative Statement of Significance**

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

**9. Major Bibliographical References**

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

**Previous documentation on file (NPS):**

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # \_\_\_\_\_
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # \_\_\_\_\_

**Areas of Significance**

(Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

**Period of Significance**

1890

**Significant Dates**

1890

1914 (House moved to its current location)

**Significant Person**

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

**Cultural Affiliation**

**Architect/Builder**

Unknown

**Primary Location of Additional Data**

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository:

Planning Dept., City of Sacramento

**10. Geographical Data**

**Acreage of Property**

**UTM References**

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
1	10	630770	4270030	3	—	—	—
2	—	—	—	4	—	—	—

See continuation sheet.

**Verbal Boundary Description**

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

**Boundary Justification**

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

**11. Form Prepared By**

name/title Darlene Mathis

organization \_\_\_\_\_ date May 24, 2000

street & number 3500 West Island Court telephone (916) 264-5528

city or town Elk Grove state CA zip code 95758

**Additional Documentation**

Submit the following items with the completed form:

**Continuation Sheets**

**Maps**

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

**Photographs**

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

**Additional items**

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

**Property Owner**

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

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The Mary Haley Galarneaux House is an excellent example of the Italianate-Eastlake Victorians built at the turn of the century in the Sacramento Delta/Bay region. It is located in the Southside District of downtown Sacramento, the capital of California. The 2200 square foot residential structure is a two and a half story Victorian duplex with a modified rectangular plan, low gable roof, and a front porch with low balcony above. The structure has a full basement, brick foundation, and was balloon framed using clear heart redwood. The house is elevated six to seven feet above grade level, which was common in Sacramento. Exterior walls have redwood siding and tear-drop wood shingles on the pediment gables. The house includes Eastlake design elements of spindles, scrollwork, and sunburst/flower emblems over windows and doors. It also has many architectural features distinctive of the Italianate era that include a low gable roof, ornamental eave brackets, decorative balustrades, and arched window trims. Detailing is decorative but not as ornate as the grand Victorian mansions in the city. This structure represents the middle class of the Delta region as many of the frieze details, corbels, and trims are commonly seen on other rare Delta style Victorians.

The exterior decorative wood detailing and redwood shiplap siding is 100% original and intact. The original building and walls are still intact and have had minimal retrofitting with the exception of missing trim due to a prior addition to the rear elevation. This addition has since been removed. The interior is also quite original and intact and is a good example of Victorian floor plans of the region. Rooms are adjacent to each other with no hallways to intervene, and ceiling heights range from eleven to twelve feet high. There are decorative window and door trims, tall wooden floor moldings and plaster medallions above decorative light fixtures.

The house is located in a vibrant, mixed-use urban neighborhood with tree-lined streets and narrow lots. The house faces north on T Street between the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Street blocks. It sits between a neighborhood corner commercial building and a block of Victorians and transitional Craftsman style homes. The property has minimum setbacks on each side and the backyard is a decent size. The front yard has a neighborly setback of fifteen feet and a split sidewalk providing planter areas between the on-street parking and the walkways. There is a large vacant lot across the street slated for neo-traditional town houses with garages below the structure. The tree-lined street has the usual urban neighborhood traffic during the day but becomes very sedate and quiet in the evenings. There are two large historical city trees providing shade to the house.

The property was very dilapidated and was listed in the City of Sacramento's "Fainted Ladies List" – endangered structures in 1997. The front porch and balcony had settled and started pulling away from the structure. The original steps and railings are still missing but the front porch and balcony are still original. There was significant dry rot.

An addition at the rear of the property was the only exterior alteration and it was condemned by the City and removed. Original exterior siding, doors, and windows were still intact behind the addition.

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Original features that are still missing include the front posts, handrails and balustrades to the front porch steps, and dentil and crown trim on the rear elevation. These are planned to be re-fabricated to match the original design. The remaining portion of the property is intact, original, and is in excellent restored condition.

The floor plan is a modified six unit rectangular plan that repeats itself on the upstairs unit. The first floor interior is very original and intact and has had minimal alterations over the many years. The interior of the house was neglected for many years but, fortunately, items are quite intact. The floor plan is very Victorian in nature and almost has a shotgun approach. In order to get to the other rooms you must walk through other, adjoining rooms. There are no hallways on either floor. On the first floor you enter directly into the living room that leads you into the dining room from large, double-swing wooden transom doors. From the dining room you can enter the main bedroom or kitchen. From the kitchen you would enter the bathroom vestibule or second bedroom, or exit through the back door. The second floor unit is almost exactly alike.

Interior moldings and the tall ceiling heights add to the authentic Victorian interiors. The majority of all the rooms with the exception of the upstairs parlor have their original window and door trimmings and eleven inch tall wood base moldings. The first floor dining room and living room have wood trim that is more elaborate than the rest of the rooms. The corner moldings on the doors and windows have gothic pointed arches that hang down from the corners. It is quite attractive. The other typical moldings throughout the house include the raised corner medallions and trims. The dining room and many of the bedrooms include the original light fixtures. An original plaster medallion surrounds the dining room's light fixture. The dining room has large, paneled doors with a wooden transom above. The floors are all original Douglas fir strip flooring.

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The Mary Haley Galarneaux House, circa 1890, is a fine example of Italianate Victorian styling. It meets National Register criterion C for its architecture. It is an excellent representative of Sacramento's late nineteenth century residential architecture and has been recognized as an important structure in city surveys. The house has been moved from its original location within the city, in 1915, but it has been sited in a compatible neighborhood with other older residential buildings.

The exterior of the house has a combination of sidings and ornamental details that contribute to the characteristic texture of Victorian architecture. The siding is predominantly painted redwood shiplap and accented with teardrop shingles on the gable pediment. The porch and balcony have ornamental wooden balustrades, decorative posts and columns that are typical of Italianate homes. There is also a touch of the Eastlake influence that includes the spindles and small open ornate corbels attached to the lower columns and porch, and flower/sunburst wooden ornamentation above the windows.

The architectural massing is predominantly Italianate with a low gable roof, arched window trims, rectangular bays and boxed eaves. The roof material is a high dimensional asphalt shingle with decorative wooden gutters surrounding the eave and porch overhang. The boxed eaves are supported by decorative wooden brackets, which are spaced on an ornate frieze. The frieze has decorative scrollwork that represents a flower or sun with small raised medallions in the center.

There are two front doors on the Galarneaux house, one for each unit. The main doors and wooden screens have been there for quite some time and may be original prior to 1914. All windows are the original double hung wooden sash and glass. The French door that leads onto the balcony is also original and includes authentic brass hardware. The only missing elements of the house that can not be located are the original decorative balustrade handrail and newel posts of the front steps. They were missing at the time of the 1976 Sacramento architectural survey. They will be re-fabricated to complete the restoration.

The east (side) elevation includes a bay window that is crowned with ornate large corbels. It is quite decorative. Once again, the flower/sunburst ornamentation is replicated in the design. The boxed eaves include the decorative Italianate brackets punctuated with carved flowers at each end, which is typical on all elevations. The frieze also continues around the structure on the second floor. A new detail includes a dentil crown trim that wraps around the elevation between the first and second floor levels. This dentil/molding is not found on the main elevation.

The west (side) elevation includes the window side of the bedrooms and bathrooms. The bedroom walls and baths step out six to seven feet west from the front of the house. The windows are tall, narrow, double hunt, original wavy glass panels and Italianate/Eastlake details as on the main elevation.



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The 2200 square foot residence was constructed in approximately 1890, and was moved to the present site by 1914. Local records show no structure on the site until 1914. Early records also show that the residence was a duplex during the year of 1914. Mary Haley owned the vacant property and adjacent corner lot in 1913 and then records show she became Mary Haley Galarneaux in 1915. The house showed up in local records at that time with Harry P. Galarneaux and Harry Galarneaux, Jr., residing in the duplex. Her husband Harry was a salesman for the Remick Company and his older son Harry, Jr. was a clerk at Wells Fargo Express as far back as 1914. During that time records indicated that both father and son resided in the bottom unit and the upstairs unit remained vacant.

The property went through several owners after Mary Haley Galarneaux buy by 1977 the local architectural survey had listed it as a major contributing architectural building in poor condition. By 1997 it was totally dilapidated and in serious danger of being condemned. It is believed that a Japanese family owned the house prior to World War II but lost it when they were sent to the internment camps. After that time, the house was supposedly used as a "speakeasy" and gambling house. During the 1970s the house was part of the red light district. Now the neighborhood has returned back to a livable residential neighborhood of restored Victorians and Arts and Crafts bungalows. This structure was the oldest and most neglected on the street. However, it always stood out for its wonderful architectural detailing.

The Galarneaux House is a very nice local example of Victorian architecture. in a modest-scale residence. It retains a high level of integrity, and is notable in the amount of architectural detail to be found in a residence of such modest-scale. It has been recognized as an important structure in city surveys. The earliest survey of Sacramento, conducted in 1977, rated the building as having "major architectural significance." The City of Sacramento lists the building as a "priority structure" in the city's official register. A priority structure is defined as "having significant historical or architectural value," and receives a substantial level of protection from demolition. Its recent rehabilitation has revived a small gem in the neighborhood.

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**Major Bibliographical References**

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**Boundary Description:** The north 84 feet of the east one-half of Lot 3 in the block bounded by T And U, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Streets of the City of Sacramento. Assessor's Parcel number 009-0131-011.

**Boundary Justification:** This is the lot occupied by the property since its move in 1914.

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Photos were all taken May, 2000. Photographer was Darlene Mathis. Negatives located at 3500 West Island Court, Elk Grove, CA 95758

Photo #1 T Street neighborhood, looking south. Galarneaux House at left.

Photo #2 Main elevation, looking south

Photo #3 Porch detail

Photo #4 Porch detail

Photo #5 East side of house

Photo #6 West side of house

Photo #7 Rear elevation

Photo #8 Back porch