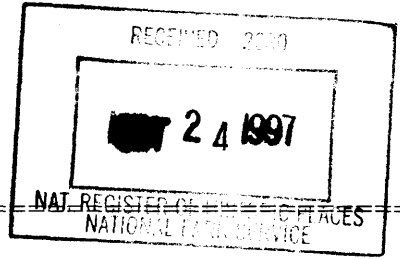


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REGISTRATION FORM**

1. Name of Property

historic name: McCallum, Roy D., House

other names/site number: NA

2. Location

street & number 1401 San Benito Street not for publication NA
city or town Hollister vicinity NA
state California code CA county San Benito code 083
code 95023 009

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X 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 X meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide X locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

[Signature] October 29, 1997
Signature of certifying official 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): _____

Edson H. Beall 11/24/97

Signature of Keeper _____ Date _____
 of Action

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

| Contributing | Noncontributing |
|--------------|---------------------|
| <u>2</u> | <u>0</u> buildings |
| <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> sites |
| <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> structures |
| <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> objects |
| <u>2</u> | <u>0</u> Total |

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

Name of related multiple property listing Historic Resources of Hollister, California

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6. Function or Use
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Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

| | |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Cat: <u>Domestic</u> | Sub: <u>single dwelling</u> |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

| | |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Cat: <u>Domestic</u> | Sub: <u>single dwelling</u> |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |

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7. Description
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Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Mission/Spanish Colonial Revival

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation concrete
roof terra cotta
walls stucco

other _____

Narrative Description (See continuation sheets.)

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8. Statement of Significance
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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.)

- 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.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture
Agriculture
Education

Period of Significance 1936-1947

Significant Dates 1936

Significant Person McCallum, Roy Drummond

Cultural Affiliation N/A

Architect/Builder Curtis, Ernest N., AIA

Narrative Statement of Significance (X See continuation sheets.)

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9. Major Bibliographical References
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Bibliography. (X See 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 # _____

Primary Location of Additional Data

State Historic Preservation Office

Other State agency

Federal agency

Local government

University

Other

Name of repository: _____

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10. Geographical Data
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Acreage of Property less than one acre

UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

| | Zone | Easting | Northing | Zone | Easting | Northing |
|---|-------|---------|----------|------|---------|----------|
| 1 | 10 | 642600 | 4078160 | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| 2 | _____ | _____ | _____ | 4 | _____ | _____ |

See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description (X See continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification (X See continuation sheet.)

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11. Form Prepared By
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name/title Barbara McCallum, Jack Douglas, (revised by OHP)
organization _____ date June 22, 1997
street & number 1401 San Benito Street telephone (408) 297-1775
city or town Hollister state CA zip code 95023
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Additional Documentation
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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)

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

name Elsie McCallum, Rev. Trust
street & number 1401 San Benito Street telephone (408) 637-3840
city or town Hollister state CA zip code 95023
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Description

The Roy D. McCallum house, located at the southeast corner of San Benito and Vine Streets in Hollister, is a one story, wood frame, single family residence with tile roof, stucco walls, wood shutters, and tile and stucco decorative vents constructed in 1936. The rear of the property opens onto a walled garden. Also located on the property is the original two car garage. The landscaping consists of lawn, and mature shrubs and trees. The property retains a very high level of integrity. The house and grounds are in excellent condition with only minor alterations since construction.

The building's primary architectural image is Spanish Colonial Revival, of the informal Andalusian type, as seen in the red tile roof, off-white stucco walls, tile and stucco decorative vents, and round arched entry to a covered porch. The basic form of the building has been broken down into small receding and projecting rectangular shapes along one major axis under a low pitched side gabled roof of varying heights. This arrangement of volumes is typical of both the then fading Spanish Colonial Revival style and the emerging California Ranch House style. The green wood shutters, which were originally dark brown, are also commonly found with both styles. California Ranch House as well as modernist references are seen in the corner window with pot shelf and the adjacent large, flat surfaced chimney.

The interior of the house has many features typical of the building's style and era. All interior doorways are arched, as is one of the windows in the living room. The large living room fireplace, faced with Roman pressed brick, gently curves in a smooth plastered hood to a heavy timbered arched ceiling with hand carved tie beams. Additional rooms include three bedrooms, a den with built-in shelving, a breakfast room, a large kitchen, and a service porch. The dining room has a bay window and french doors opening onto the enclosed garden with paved patio. The casement windows have roll screening, and most of the rooms have narrow picture moldings.

Also located on the property is a two car wood frame garage with flat roof

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and stucco walls. The garage was constructed in 1936 and has not been altered. Running between the garage and the house is a nine inch thick stucco wall of the same color and texture as the house and garage. A similar wall encloses the backyard. The stucco wall is original; however, a two foot extension has been added for privacy. The backyard has a curved walkway, cultivated lawn, rose garden, and fifty year old Ginkgo tree. Franciscan tile on the patio is a later addition. In the southwest corner of the backyard is a child's playhouse dating to 1934 and brought to the property by the McCallums when they took occupancy of the house. The playhouse is not being counted as part of the nomination.

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Statement of Significance

The McCallum House is significant at the local level under Criterion B in the areas of agriculture and education for the association with Roy D. McCallum whose efforts as an agricultural field representative of the University of California's Agriculture Extension Service for forty-five years contributed to California agriculture and whose work was a major force in establishing San Benito County as a prosperous farming region. McCallum lived in the house from 1936 until his death in 1982. The property is also significant at the local level under Criterion C in the area of architecture in the context of "Residential Building in Hollister, 1868-1941," as documented in the Historic Resources of Hollister, California Multiple Property Listing. The house is as a very good example of 1930s residential design in the community of Hollister. From the San Jose architectural firm of Binder and Curtis, the design is a sophisticated and visually interesting mingling of historicist and modernist influences on residential building in the mid-1930s.

The period of significance is arbitrarily ended in 1947, at the fifty year cut-off. Although McCallum continued to live in the house until his death in 1982, for purposes of National Register eligibility, nothing of exceptional significance occurred within the last fifty years.

Criterion B

In 1930 Roy D. McCallum was chosen to take charge of the University of California Agricultural Extension Service in San Benito County. He was born in St. Paul, Minnesota and moved with his family to Fresno County where he attended high school and acquired an interest in agriculture. He attended the University of California, graduating with a degree in agronomy just in time to be called up to serve in World War I. His first position upon discharge was as County Director of Agricultural Extension in Placer County. His tenure there was brief as he was chosen to take a similar position in San Benito County.

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McCallum was instrumental in the county's agricultural development for the next forty-three years. His achievements served as a model for similar efforts by the University of California in other counties, and his research and publications had an impact on agriculture as far away as South America. During McCallum's career with the University of California Extension Service, he was responsible for the introduction of new crops and farming techniques to the rich agricultural region of San Benito County. During the 1930s he conducted the first studies and described the symptoms of boron toxicity of deciduous fruits and was a recognized authority on the effects of boron on deciduous fruits. He introduced the Kennebec potato to California during the 1940s, which replaced other varieties for manufactured potato products, particularly potato chips. In 1946 he developed a new pink bean adapted to the Central Coast regions of California known as "San Benito Pink," the only coast pink variety registered by the University of California under the California Crop Improvement Association. In the 1940s, he initiated a statewide industry control marketing plan for prunes. This prune pool and the raisin pool were the forerunners of the present marketing now being used for many agricultural commodities. He initiated studies for the control of a serious disease of garlic known as "white rot" which threatened to wipe out the industry in this area, and with scientists at the University of California found methods of overcoming the effects of the disease. To assist local farmers in agricultural productivity, he wrote over forty-five circulars applicable to San Benito County during the years 1930 to 1955.

McCallum's district became a model area in the University's network of field stations, and high-level visitors were frequent guests to the area. In 1957, McCallum took time out to represent the U.S. Foreign Service in Chile, where he helped landowners apply modern methods of food production. He also established a semi-private management service (Agroservico) to aid the Chilean farmers. One of his bulletins about the major problems of the Chilean fruit industry was widely distributed and today has become something of a classic in Latin American agriculture.

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In 1960 McCallum was elected a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Upon retirement to "Agriculturist Emeritus" in 1962 he became active in civic affairs serving on the Hollister City Council and later as chairman of the County's Imported Water Commission. He represented the U.C. Extension Service by serving on the California Committee for Chilean Trainees and was a member of the Board of Directors, University of California, Santa Cruz Affiliates.

McCallum continued to live in the house until his death on March 12, 1982. As an educator and dedicated agricultural specialist, he touched the lives of many people in the county. His contributions to agriculture continue to benefit people today. His home on San Benito and Vine Streets is a vital reminder of his forceful and dedicated service.

Criterion C

The McCallum House is locally significant under Criterion C in the area of architecture in the context of "Residential Building in Hollister, 1868-1941," as documented in the Historic Resources of Hollister, California Multiple Property Listing. The property is an excellent example of 1930s residential design in Hollister. Designed by the architectural firm of Binder and Curtis, the design is a sophisticated and visually interesting mingling of historicist and modernist influences on residential building in the mid-1930. Few houses in Hollister were architect designed. This house, which was architect designed, shows a high level of sophistication in the overall quality of design and attention to detail. Sited on a corner lot, the house has two important elevations and presents a pleasing domestic appearance.

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The property exhibits the major characteristics of its property type as identified in the multiple property listing, displays a high level of craftsmanship, and retains a very high level of integrity.

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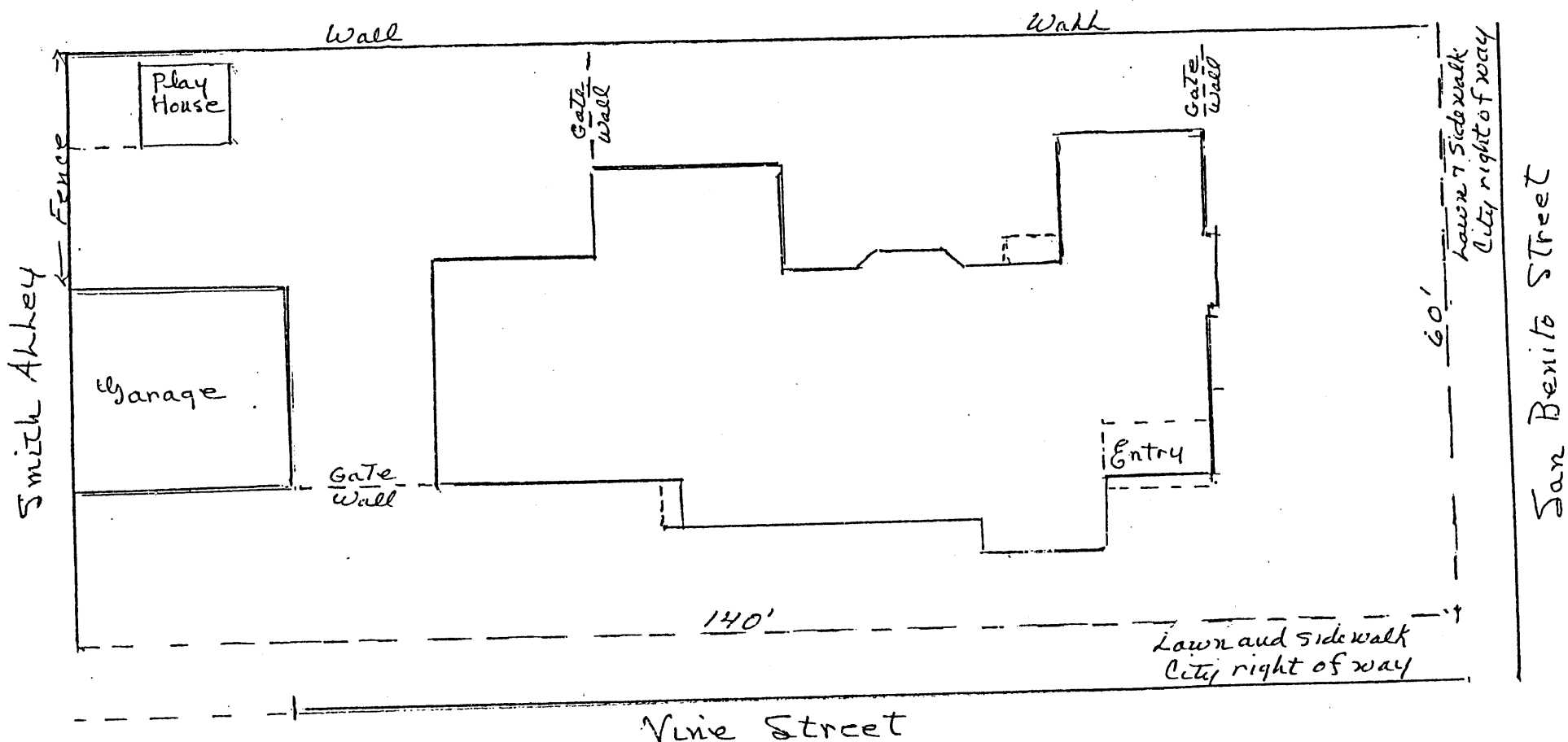
Verbal Boundary Description

Lot 10 and the North 10 feet of Lot 11 in Block 3 of Richardson's Subdivision of Block 8 of Stone Addition, according to map thereof, filed August 16, 1912, in Vol. 2 of Maps, Page 10, San Benito County Records.

City of Hollister, County of San Benito, CA Parcel #056-22-0-001-0

Boundary Justification

The boundary is the original parcel.



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1/16" = 1'0"