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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

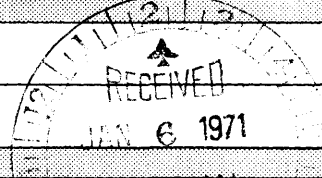
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STATE: California	
COUNTY: Los Angeles	
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ENTRY NUMBER 71.5.06.00.31	DATE 5/6/71

1. NAME

COMMON:  
Lummis Home SHM House

AND/OR HISTORIC:  
Charles Lummis Home



2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:  
200 E Avenue 43 (East of N. Figueroa Street)

CITY OR TOWN:  
Los Angeles

STATE California	CODE 06	COUNTY: Los Angeles	CODE 037
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3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:  
Department of Parks and Recreation

STREET AND NUMBER:  
1416 9th Street (Resources Building)

CITY OR TOWN:  
Sacramento

STATE:  
California

CODE:  
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5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:  
Hall of Records

STREET AND NUMBER:  
320 Temple Street

CITY OR TOWN:  
Los Angeles

STATE:  
California

CODE:  
06

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:  
California Historical Landmarks Advisory Committee

DATE OF SURVEY:  
6/63  Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:  
Department of Parks and Recreation

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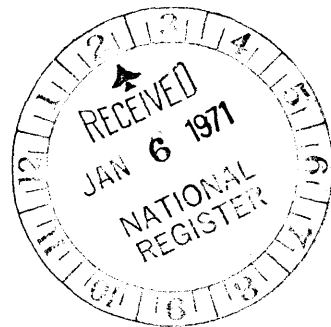
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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Lummis Home stands on a sloping three acre tract located on the bank of the Arroyo Seco. The house (El Alisal") is a rambling 2-story random rubble stone masonry and concrete structure. The exterior walls from 2' to 4' thick rest on deep concrete footings and are of riverbed boulders laid up in cement, lime and sand mortar. The sloping roof is covered with wood shingles or shakes. The house, containing some 14 rooms, was started in 1897 and built over a period of 15 years by Charles Lummis. In structural problems he consulted with two California architects, Sumner Hunt and Arthur Benton. Construction work was done by Lummis and a few Indian laborers. The building does not meet the present day requirements of the Los Angeles City Building Code. Occupancy is limited by safety code restrictions.



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**3. SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1897 - 1912

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

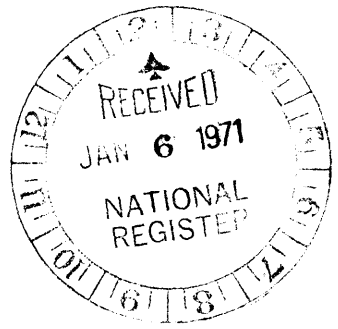
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<input type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	_____
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Art	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Literature	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Music		_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation			_____

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Constructed of local stone by Charles F. Lummis, author, editor, poet, athlete, archeologist, etc. In years past this building was probably the objective of more famous people than any other home in Southern California. While living here Lummis wrote and lectured extensively on the great southwest. He founded the California History and Landmarks Club, and the Southwest Museum.

1897-1912

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**9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Rensch's Historic Spots in California



**10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

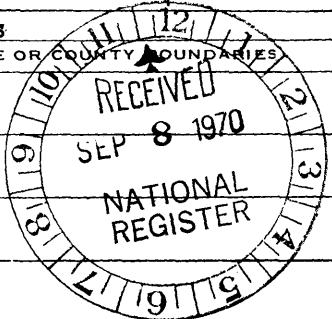
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NE	°	'	"	°	'	"	118°	12'	21"
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"			
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"			

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **1.90 acres**

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE



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**11. FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME AND TITLE: **Allen W. Welts, State Park Historian III**

ORGANIZATION: **Department of Parks and Recreation** DATE: **3/22/70**

STREET AND NUMBER: **1416 9th Street**

CITY OR TOWN: **Sacramento** STATE: **California** CODE: **06**

**12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION**

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National  State  Local

Name: *Allen W. Welts*

Title: State Liaison Officer

Date: August 3, 1970

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

*Ernest A. Connolly*  
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

**MAY 6 1971**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

*William Welts*  
Keeper of the National Register

Date: **APR 19 1971**