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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC (French Empire Mansard Building)

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AND/OR COMMON

Odd Fellows Hall *OK - No. 123 5-5-78* OHP

LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
123 "F" Street

NOT FOR PUBLICATION
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
Second ✓

CITY, TOWN
Eureka

VICINITY OF
CODE
95501 06

STATE
California

COUNTY
Humboldt CODE
023 ✓

CLASSIFICATION

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

OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
Robert A. Dunaway

STREET & NUMBER
P.O. Box 1212

CITY, TOWN
Eureka

VICINITY OF
STATE
California

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.
Humboldt County

STREET & NUMBER
825 Fifth Street

CITY, TOWN
Eureka

STATE
California

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
Architectural Heritage

DATE
1974
FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS
Eureka Redevelopment Agency/Department of Community Development

CITY, TOWN
Eureka
STATE
California

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<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 _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The French Empire Mansard building is a two story brick building 40 feet wide and 110 feet in length. The structural system is unreinforced brick bearing walls, with one interior brick cross wall. Foundations are spread brick. The brick walls on the street facades were embellished with plaster and wood mouldings, except that street level bays were modulated by cast iron pilasters, with two full Ionic columns supporting a balcony over the main entrance and continuing on up to an imposing pavilion form over the balcony. Windows are arched with prominent keystone decorations.

The present exterior of the building is virtually unchanged from the original above the first floor. Modifications of the first floor were made in 1920 when new windows were cut into the walls on F Street south of the main entrance, and the entrance on Second Street was moved from the middle to the corner of the building.

The top story is capped with an ornate cornice which supports a high plaster mansard roof. A lacy iron grillwork railing extends around two sides of the roof.

The interior brickwork and original window details have been retained, as well as coved ceilings. Structural modifications to meet code requirements have been accomplished, in general by using heavy timber construction which is independent of the original structure.

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1883

BUILDER/ARCHITECT James Simpson

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The French Empire Mansard Building was constructed by James Simpson, a well known builder who constructed several other large buildings, in 1883 to house the new lodge hall for the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. The large two story building was constructed of brick with an imposing two story entrance pavilion bordered by specially formed iron columns. This is Eureka's finest example of Second Empire architecture.

The building has served the community in a number of ways. The entire second story was designed for and used as a meeting hall for a number of service organizations and community groups. It was Eureka's largest and finest lodge hall and the dedication of the building, coinciding with an Odd Fellows Anniversary, was cause for a celebration resulting in the largest gathering of people in Eureka's history.

The whole bottom floor, except the extreme northern room was occupied by the well-known merchandising house of H. Barman and said to be the finest store north of San Francisco. The north room of the bottom floor was used by Collector Watson as the Humboldt County Tax Collector's office.

Subsequently, the lower floor has housed various retail merchandisers up until its recent use by a local printing establishment, Eureka Printing Co..

Through the years the French Empire Mansard building has played a significant role in Eureka's history both as a merchantile center and a much used meeting and social hall.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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Humboldt State College Library, xeroxed from original notebooks, 1967
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Historic Record Co., 1915, page 1231
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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

1/10 (one tenth) acre

1883

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY

UTM REFERENCES

A 10 491720 4517520
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

B
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

See continuation sheet #1, item number 10

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 Marvin Trump, Architect; Dolores Velluntini, Eureka Heritage Society; Robert A. Dunaway, owner

ORGANIZATION

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

P.O. Box 1212

TELEPHONE

(707) 443-8673

CITY OR TOWN

Eureka

STATE

California

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL X

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

Kroy M. Ellison

TITLE State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE 1/17/78

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

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST:

Charles A. ...

DATE

5/13/78

DATE

5.1.78

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

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CONTINUATION SHEET #1

ITEM NUMBER 10

PAGE 4 (GEOGRAPHICAL DATA)

Verbal Boundary Description:

The following described real property in the State of California,
County of Humboldt, City of Eureka

Beginning at the Northeast corner of Second and "F" Streets, as said
Streets are established according to the Official Surveys and Monuments
of the City of Eureka; and running

thence Easterly along the Northerly line of Second Street, 40 feet;
thence at right angles Northerly parallel with "F" Street, 110 feet
to an alley;
thence Westerly along the Southerly line of said alley, 40 feet to
"F" Street;
thence Southerly along the Easterly line of "F" Street, 110 feet to
the point of beginning.