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**National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*  
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

**1. Name**

historic St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Church

and/or common St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Church

**2. Location**

street & number 724 North Main N/A not for publication

city, town Jackson N/A vicinity of

state California code 06 county Amador code 005

**3. Classification**

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
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			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

**4. Owner of Property**

name St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Church

street & number 724 North Main (P.O. B 1243)

city, town Jackson N/A vicinity of state California 95642

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Amador County Recorder's Office (Courthouse)

street & number 108 Court Street

city, town Jackson state California

**6. Representation in Existing Surveys**

title See Continuation Sheet has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records

city, town state

## 7. Description

### Condition

excellent  
 good  
 fair

deteriorated  
 ruins  
 unexposed

### Check one

unaltered  
 altered

### Check one

original site  
 moved date N/A

### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

St. Sava's Church is a small, modest, and simple structure bordered on three sides by the parish cemetery. The church and cemetery sit on the upper end of a long slope, facing in a westerly direction and surrounded by foothills. The church is a one-story, painted brick building, with arched windows and a bell tower. The integrity of St. Sava's is still relatively high, although an octagonal onion-shaped cupola has been removed and a vestibule added.

Architectural and Ground Features: The simplicity of architectural features suggests that the design of the church building was influenced by Eastern Orthodox architectural styling, prevalent in Serbia and its neighboring countries. Built in 1894, it features: rectangular dimensions; buttressed brick walls; arched windows; semicircular apse, half dome roof; square tower set out from wall, and a vestibule. The interior is composed of the narthex, nave, chancel and its iconostasis. Alterations: addition of a vestibule; modification of cupola. Ground features include: cemetery, fences, drive and walkways (stairs), and parking areas. A parsonage was demolished in the 1950s.

A. General physical appearance: The present physical appearance of the church is practically the same as when first constructed, except for the vestibule added to the narthex and modification of the cupola. Condition of the fabric is good, brick and mortar have held up well.

Architect: Unknown. Builder: Mr. Thompson and parish members. Year built: 1894

### B. Description of exterior:

Overall dimensions: 28 feet by 56 feet long.

Foundation material: Unknown.

Wall construction: brick, 16 inches thick. Walls are supported by buttresses.

### Appurtenances:

a. Vestibule: Dimensions: 9 feet wide by 5 feet in depth by 15 feet in height; wood frame, shiplap; foundation: concrete; roof: medium gable, metal tile covering, plain cornice; doors: six panels, wood, double doors, main entrance to building (from 1894 to about 1930 entrance to church was through the exterior wall to narthex); door opening is about 60 inches wide by 8 feet 9 inches high; fanlight transom, glass, 30 inches high from base to top of cicle. Ornamentation: Serbian cross, gable apex.

Stairs: straight, front approach; about 8 feet 7 inches wide by 10 feet 6 inches base length by 4 feet 6 inches high (nine steps, 6 inch rise each step); poured concrete; side railings, 1½ inch pipe.

b. Apse: Projects from east wall; semicircular, joins church east wall; 16 feet diameter by 8 feet radius; exterior wall: brick; roof: semi-dome, covered with metal sheeting. Originally, the roof was covered with shingles. Windows: three, semicircular tops, about 12 inches wide by 25 inches high, stained glass, memorials.

## 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> religion
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	<input type="checkbox"/> invention			

Specific dates ~~1887~~ 1894 Builder/Architect Mr. Thompson

### Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

St. Sava's Church is significant as the first Serbian Orthodox church in America, and as the continuing focus for Serbian culture and unity in the Jackson area from the 1890s through the present. In its design it incorporates some traditional references to small churches of Yugoslavia, brought to the "new country" in the minds of immigrant Serbian gold miners and their families.

In the mid-19th century, numbers of Serbians began arriving in the U.S. from what is now Yugoslavia. Toward the end of the century, northern California's gold mines drew many Serbians to Amador and Calaveras Counties. Serbians in America were accustomed to establishing benevolent societies and social organizations wherever they went. Such early societies provided a number of services to the ethnic community -- they gave assistance to the sick and aged, provided burials for the dead, organized celebrations for ethnic and religious holidays, and promoted the perpetuation of Slavic music, dance, and customs. Among the first of these societies was the Slavonian Illyrian Benevolent Society of San Francisco, established in 1857.<sup>1</sup> Amador County Serbs organized the St. Sava Church Organization of Amador County in 1886-1887. It was this organization that was instrumental in the building of St. Sava's, named for the Patron Saint of the Serbian Orthodox Church.

After land was procured in January of 1894, and a cemetery established, parish members began construction on the church which was consecrated December 4, 1894. (A parsonage was constructed at the same time, but was demolished in the 1950s.) The church and cemetery have been in continuous use since that time, serving as a center for Serbian religious, social, and cultural activities.

The influence of Eastern Orthodox tradition is still evident in the design of St. Sava's, but was originally more pronounced. An octagonal, onion-shaped cupola, a distinctive Eastern element, was replaced in 1930 with a square tower. Other Eastern elements still exist, however, including the traditional placement of the narthex on the west and the apse on the east. The interior also resembles its Serbian relatives in its icons, its stained glass windows, and the iconostasis, or screen, in its chancel.

<sup>1</sup>The Serbs and Russians formed the Russian, Greek, Serbian Organization of San Francisco in 1864. A branch of the San Francisco society was established in Sutter Creek, Amador County, 1874; and a lodge was erected in Sutter Creek, 1874.

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

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# 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 1.25

Quadrangle name Jackson, California

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References

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Zone		Easting				Northing								

Verbal boundary description and justification

See Continuation Sheet, Item Number 10, Page 1: Maps & Verbal boundary description.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state N/A code county N/A code

state N/A code county N/A code

# 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Clyde R. Berriman

organization Amador County Historical Society

date November 1, 1984

street & number 11301 Shenandoah Road

telephone (209) 245-6536

city or town Plymouth

state California 95669

# 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

*Kathryn Gualtieri*

title State Historic Preservation Officer

date 1-28-86

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

Entered in the  
National Register

date 3/6/86

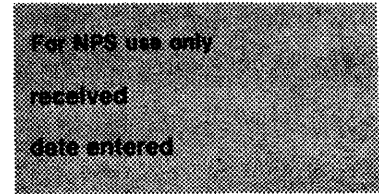
for *Joyce M. McPherson*  
Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

Chief of Registration

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1. Historic American Buildings Survey  X  Federal  
Cal-38-P50-1  
1934  
Survey records at Library of Congress, Washington, DC.

2. David Gebhard, Roger Montgomery, Robert Winter, John Woodbridge, and Sally Woodbridge, A Guide to Architecture in San Francisco & Northern California (Santa Barbara and Salt Lake City: Peregrine Smith, Inc., 1973), page 429.

Survey records at University Art Galleries, University of California, Santa Barbara, California (c/o Dr. David Gebhard).

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c. Cupola & Bell:

Cupola: From 1894-1930 Shape: octagonal, capped with onion-shaped dome; window openings covered with louvered shutters. Russian cross above apex. Original cupola replaced 1930 by extending tower, capped by pyramidal roof; windows: open. Serbian cross above apex.

Bell: Dimensions: 29 inches diameter by 22 inches high; brass. In continuous use, 1894 to present (1984). Condition: good. A gift from head of Russian Orthodox Church, USA, Nicholas of Alaska and the Aleutian Islands, August 22, 1894. Inscription on bell: "With the blessing of his eminence Rt. Rev. Nicholas, Bishop of Alaska and Aleutian Islands. This bell was cast for the Orthodox Church of St. Sava of Jackson, Amador County, California, A.D. 1894 August 22d."

d. Basement: SW corner of building beneath main floor. Approximate dimensions: 7 feet 6 inches wide by 13 feet long; floor: poured concrete; door opening: 30 inches wide by 46 inches high, covered by a hinged metal sheet. Use: storage.

e. Air conditioning system: Location: SW corner of church building (outside); installed 1981. Prior to 1981 space heat was derived from either wood or gas.

7. Roof: Shape: high gable; covering: original: wood shingles, replaced by zinc coated metal tile, 1969; gable end: plain boxed cornice, eaves; gutters.

8. Windows (main structure): Openings: six, 38 inches wide by 7 feet, 10 inches high, semicircular top design, arched radiating brick. Original windows: two sashes, each sash divided into four sections, clear glass panes; louvered shutters. Present windows: openings: no change; one sash, stained glass iconic memorials, installed about 1930; hinged vent (12 inches by 28 inches) at bottom of windows. Three windows on each (north and south) side of building.

C. Interior Architectural Features:

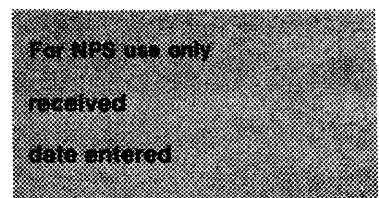
1. General: The interior includes the vestibule, narthex, nave, and chancel. (Figure 7-1A, Floor Plan).

2. Vestibule: Walls and ceiling: T&G vertical board, painted white.

3. Narthex: Walls: wainscoting; ceiling: 15 feet, 6 inches high; doors: opening: 5 feet 11 inches wide by 9 feet high; double doors, 33 inches wide by 8 feet 10 inches high, wood, three panels, each door. Fanlight transom, stained glass: St. Sava, C.B. CABA. (Figure 7-1B)

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4. Nave: Walls: white plaster over brick; wainscotting, brown; ceiling: closed, 15 feet 6 inches high, pale blue. Windows: stained glass, iconic memorials (1).

a. Furnishings:

Pews: In the beginning, it was customary for the laity to stand during church services. In 1969, pews (4-1/2 each side of the aisle) were furnished; in continual use to present.

Chandelier: A tiered chandelier of tear drop crystal, approximately 36 inches diameter base, tapers upward about 48 inches; candles. Suspended from ceiling, central position. Use: to illuminate church on all occasions (liturgy, funerals, etc.); however, present use is curtailed because of fire hazard, when lighted. A gift from Alexander I (Obrenovich), Beograd, Serbia, to the St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Church (Jackson), in recognition of its founding (1894).

Montenegro Flag: Hangs on SW wall of church; encased in wood frame (67 inches by 78 inches). A gift from Nicholas I, Prince of Montenegro, 1895.

5. Chancel: Half-dome rear; windows (3): stained glass, memorials. Iconostasis, altar and icons; paraphernalia.

D. Property Features:

1. Cemetery: Established 1887, based on first known burial of that year; in continual use to present. Approximately 400 graves surround church. Contains memorials commemorating: 11 victims of the Argonaut Mine disaster (August 1922) buried herein; and, Archimandrite Sebastian Dabovich, responsible for erection of the St. Sava Church (Jackson), 1894. Dominant tombstone symbol: Serbian cross.

2. Landscaping: Land slopes westerly, somewhat north to south; no lawns; trees include one native oak, remnants of a cypress hedge. Soon after the church was built (1894) a cypress hedge was planted around the building to protect it; hedge grew to the eaves, five feet thick, six feet from the north and south walls of the church, became a nuisance, it hid the church too well, was removed 1955, except few remaining trees existing at present.

<sup>1</sup>North wall (beginning west end to east):  
Ven. Mother Paraskeva - Sveta Petka  
St. Michael - Arch Angel  
Birth of Christ

South wall (beginning west end to east):  
St. George - The Great Martyr  
St. John - The Baptist  
Resurrection of Christ

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Fences: Originally, a wood picket fence, perhaps 48 inches high; replaced by present wire, mesh fence, 48 inches high.

Flag poles: Up to 1922 there were two flag poles NW of church. Date replaced by present pole: unknown. Present flag pole is about 34 feet NW of church; telescoped galvanized iron pipe, 40 feet more or less high, topped by a small sphere, gold color.

Driveway: Starts at southwest corner of church property (North Main Street entrance), about 12 feet wide, poured concrete, runs up slope to west side of church. Constructed ca. 1955. Condition: good.

Drinking fountain: Northwest of church. Underground pipe line to drinking fountain.

Parking area: West of church on west side of North Main Street, an improved parking area, private; .349 acre.

3. Parsonage (non-existent)<sup>1</sup>: Location: about 90 feet north of church. Probable dimensions: 25 feet wide by 45 feet long; building stood alone, except a privy stood 8-10 feet to the northeast. Wood frame; one story; storage space under north side of the house; foundation: native stone. Exterior walls: 1 inch by 12 inch board and batten. Roof: gable; covering: wood shingles; chimney: metal stove pipe; eaves: plain. Windows: double sash, probably six panes, each sash, clear glass. Door: plain, wood. (Figures: 7-1C and 7-1D) (Footnote 2)

Interior: Three bedrooms, kitchen, living room, and bathroom. (Figure: 7-1E)

Porches: One each at west and east ends of building.

Stairs: West end of building, approximately 14 steps high.

Walkway: From North Main Street level to west end of parsonage. Stairs at street level to city sidewalk (existent), poured concrete; wire mesh gate (3 feet wide); distance gate to west end of parsonage: probably 115 feet, walkway was concrete steps and landings. (Figure 7-1F)

Privies (non-existent outhouses):

a. Original outhouse: Location: northeast of NE corner of parsonage. Probable dimensions: 4 feet by 6 feet (a two-holer); wood frame; walls: 1 inch by 12 inch board and batten; gable roof; wood shingles.

<sup>1</sup>Information is based on interviews with Sam Kostich, Sutter Creek, CA, September 10, 1984; Fred Lefever, Jackson, CA September 19, 1984.

<sup>2</sup>Parsonage erected: ca. 1894; demolished: ca. 1952-1953. Use: residence for priests: 1894 to late 1920s; rental for secular persons: late 1920s to spring of 1952.



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Constructed: ca. 1945; demolished: 1981.

b. Outhouse #2: Located over site of original outhouse. Probable dimensions: 8 feet by 10 feet; wood frame; walls: textured plywood; roof: galvanized metal sheeting covering, gabled. Toilets: two, flush design; wash basins: two. Sump beneath outhouse floor, approximately 20 feet deep. A community building; i.e., church members.

Entrance (vehicular) to parsonage: From Tyack Lane via east side of church to south of building.

4. St. Sava Serbian Orthodox home: Location: approximately 200 feet northwest of church. Dimensions: 39 feet wide by 83 feet long. Exterior walls: concrete blocks; roof: gable; covering: composition shingles. Condition: good. Use: social center (administrative affairs of church and social activities). Built: 1955. Parking area, private.

5. St. Sava Mission Corporation, 604 Broadway Street, Jackson, California is an independent entity: not a part of the St. Sava Church.

E. Environmental Features:

1. Natural environment: Foothills (1300-1400 feet sea level) located on the western slope of the central Sierra Nevada Mountains, in the Foothill or Digger Pine-Chaparral Belt. Summers: hot, dry; winters: moderate rainfall.

2. General setting: The church and cemetery rest on the upper end of a long slope, faces in a westerly direction; surrounded by neighboring foothills. Interspersed among these hills are recent "modern" homes, commercial buildings, the Argonaut and Kennedy mines -- all within the setting of a Mother Lode gold mining town (Jackson) of yesteryear and still thriving today.

F. Vandalism: Apparently unlikely; property is watched by members.

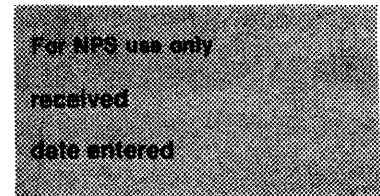
Photographs: St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Church, 724 North Main Street, Jackson, California 95642.

Name of photographer: Clyde R. Berriman, 11301 Shenandoah Road, Plymouth, CA 95669.  
Except photographs: 14 and 15.

Date of photographs, except 14 and 15, August 1984. Location of negatives: same as photographer above.

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1.	General view: fore & background, church and cemetery. -----E
2.	Church: west and south sides; upper end of driveway; cemetery south side of church. -----NE
3.	Church: vestibule entrance; cornice. -----NE
4.	Church: apse; north side of church; wall -----SW
5.	Church: wall detail; north side; -----SE
6.	Church: cupola -----S
7.	Stairs: North Main Street to church; -----E
8.	First known burial (cemetery) 1887; -----E
9.	St. Sava Church Home -----S
10.	Church: nave and chancel; -----E
11.	Church: chancel; chandelier, icons; -----SE
12.	Church: narthex, Montenegro flag, pews -----W
13.	Stairs: North Main Street to parsonage (site) -----E
14.	Church: 1894 (copy of copy); man in lower right, Mr. Thompson, builder of church. Photo from picture of north wall of vestibule.
15.	Church: 1922; cypress hedges and fence; funeral: victims of Argonaut Mine disaster; -----E. Copy of copy.

See Figure 7-1C - sketch map.

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(Christian tradition)

"Old Serbian Orthodox Church ... Lights Up for 'Julian' Christmas", Amador Dispatch (Jackson, CA), December 31, 1980, 1-3, (Icons, stained glass window, St. Sava Church)

"Delayed Celebration Marks Annual Serbian Event: 11th Century Christianity", Amador Ledger (Jackson, CA), December 31, 1980, 1 & 4.

Larry Cenotto, "LOGAN'S ALLEY": About Serbians, No. 467", Amador Dispatch (Jackson, CA), n.d.

Ruth Grandbois, "It's Christmas Eve in Jackson as Serbians Celebrate SRETAN BOZICH", Stockton Record, (Stockton, CA), January 6, 1949.

Mark Hendrix, "ST SAVA CHURCH rich in centuries of traditions", ECHO (Ione, CA), December 27, 1978, 4 & 5. (Icon, iconostasis, stained glass window, chanelier).

THE KNAVE ... "Salvo for Sava", Oakland Tribune (Oakland, CA), December 2, 1973, 12 CM, C1-4.

Ralph Milanovich, "History of the Serbian Eastern Orthodox Church", St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Church, n.p. (By members of St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Church, Jackson, CA to commemorate 90th anniversary of founding of church), ca. July 1984, pp 6-9.

"Serbian Church in Jackson Will Fete 60th Anniversary", Sacramento Bee (Sacramento, CA), August 20, 1954, 22, C6.

"Serb Church Clergy, Laymen Gather for Jackson Event", Sacramento Bee (Sacramento, CA), August 21, 1954, 14, C2. (60th anniversary)

"Visit From Royalty: Exiled King of Yugoslavia Plans to Help Jackson Church Note Founding", Sacramento Bee (Sacramento, CA), August 10, 1969, B5.

St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Church (Jackson, CA, published by members of the church to commemorate 80th anniversary of founding of church, ca. August 1974).

Mrs. J. L. Sargent (ed.), Amador County History, "Serbian Orthodox Church", (Amador County Federation of Women's Clubs, Jackson, CA, April 1927, 62. (Partial photo of parsonage, 1922)

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1. Maps:

Jackson, California Quadrangle, 7.5 series, 1962.

Assessor's Map, Book 20, Page 13. (Amador County, CA).

Sketch Map: Location of St. Sava structures  
Key to photographs see figure 7-1C

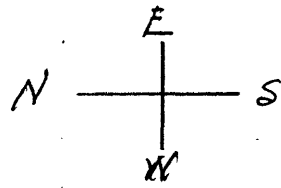
2. Verbal boundary description:

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Block 2 - Parcel 9. It is approximately 232 feet by 235 feet square.  
Boundaries encompass the original historic property.

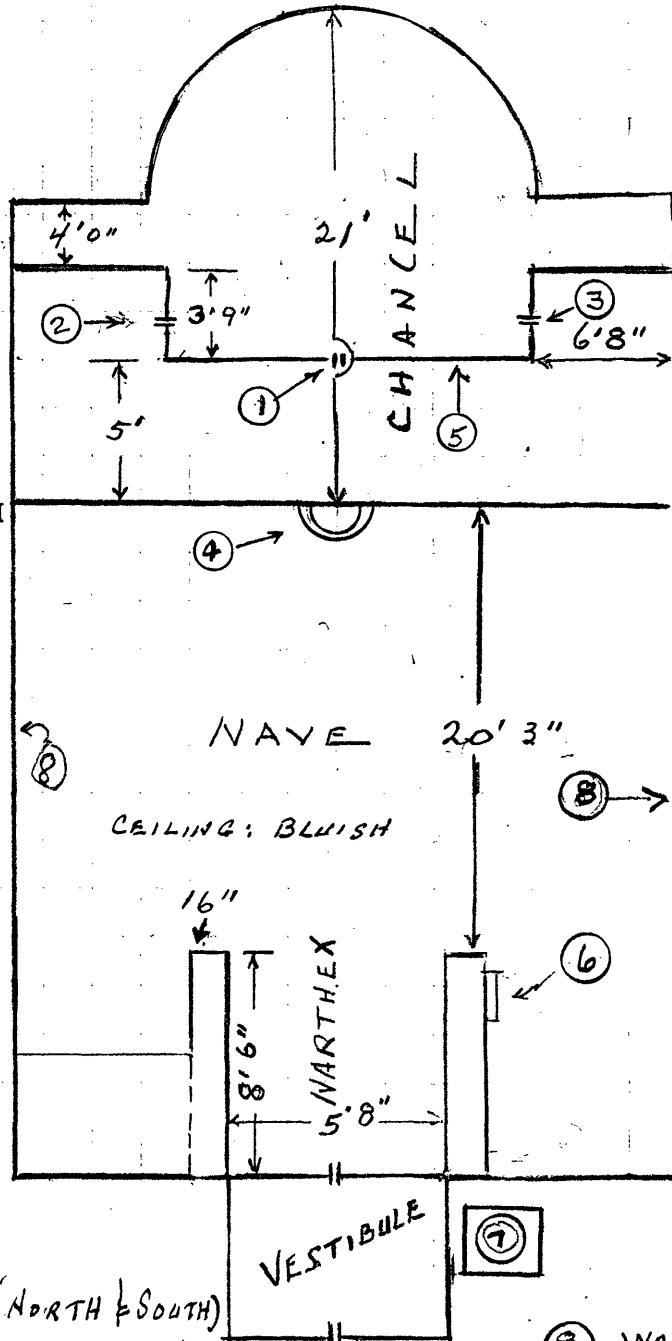
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# ST. SAVA SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

## FLOOR PLAN



1/8" = 1'



ST. SAVA SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH  
JACKSON, AMADOR COUNTY, CALIF.

- ①
- ②
- ③
- ④
- ⑤

ROYAL DOORS (NORTH & SOUTH)

EAST DOOR

WEST DOOR.

TWO STEP<sup>RISE</sup> TO CHANCEL: TOP: 38" WIDE; BOTTOM: 48" WIDE, ELEVATED  
SCREEN (WOOD) (ICONOSTASIS)

⑧ WAINSCOTTING, 5' 8" HIGH, BROWN

⑥ TO KTTIC & CUPOLA VIA LADDERS.

⑦ AIR CONDITIONING UNIT.

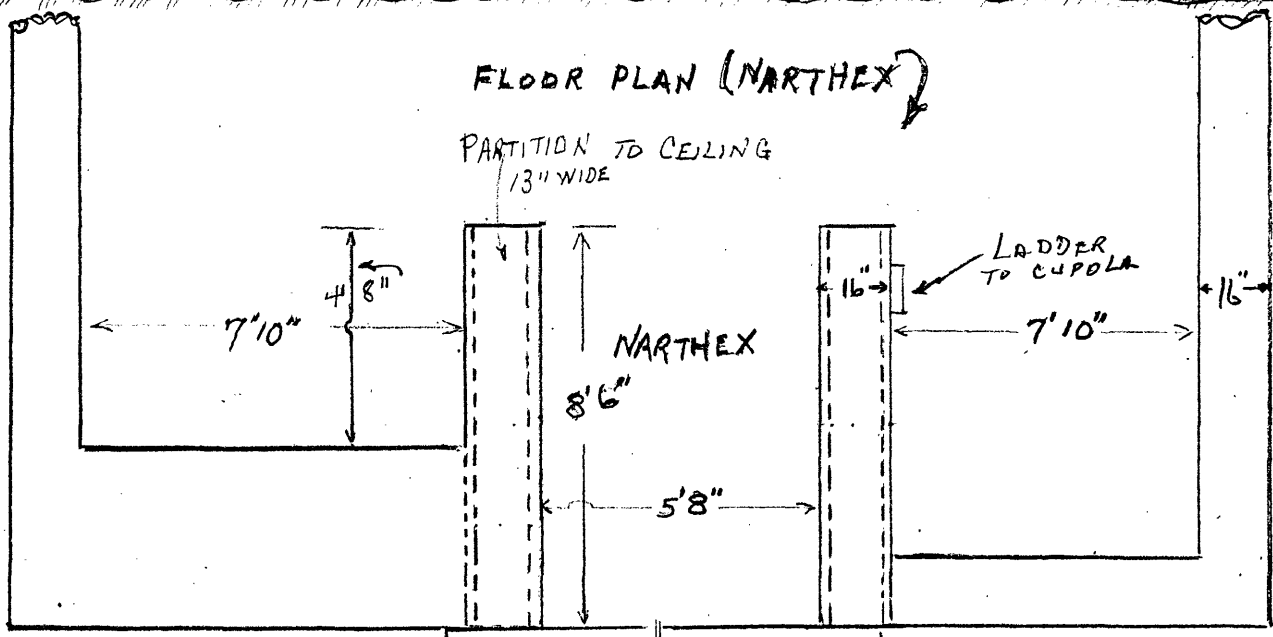
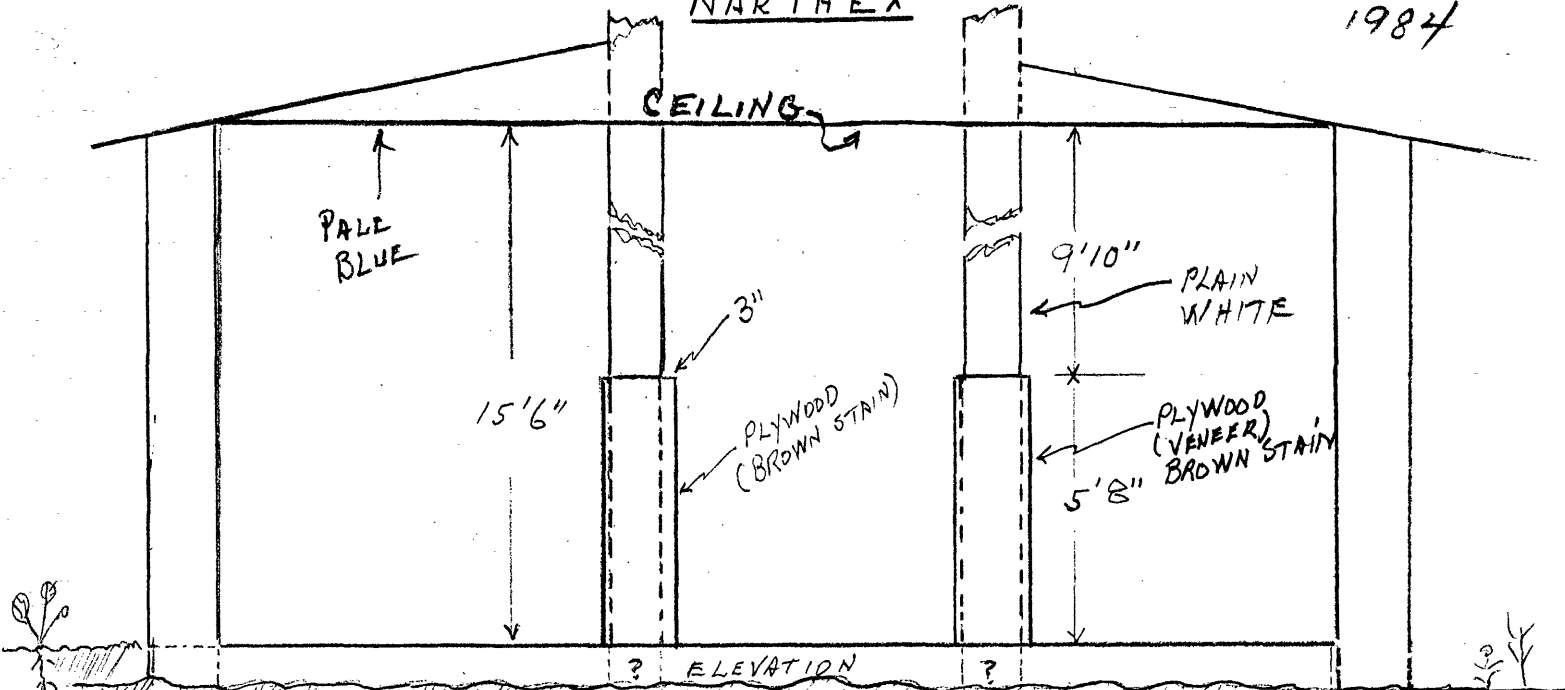
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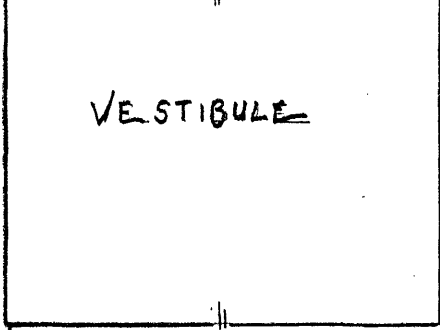
ST. SAVA SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH (JACKSON, CA).

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9'  
ST. SAVA SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH  
JACKSON, AMADOR COUNTY, CALIF.

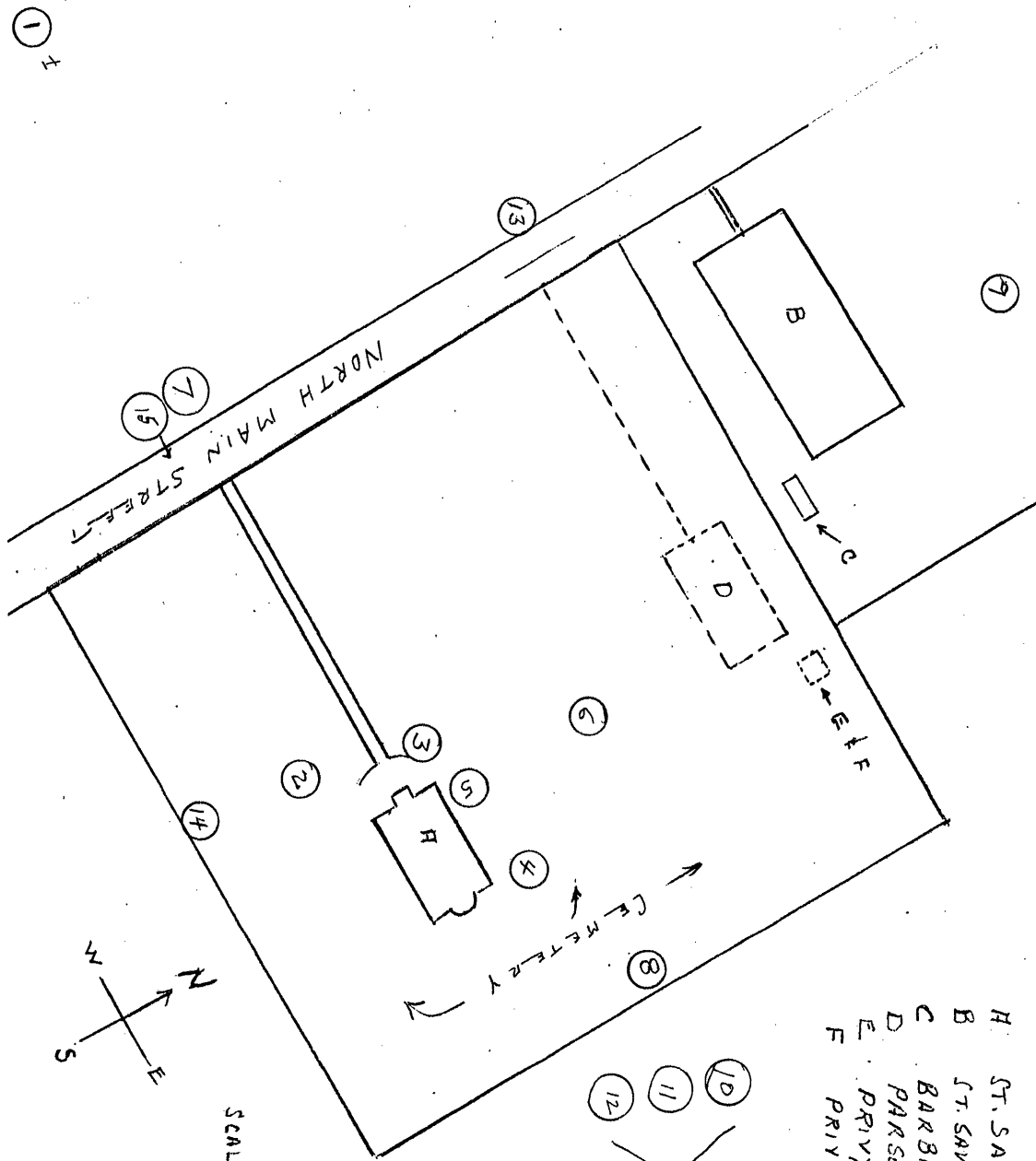


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FIGURE 7-1B

ST. SAVA SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH, TRARSON, CA.

SKETCH MAP - LOCATION OF STRUCTURES - 1984

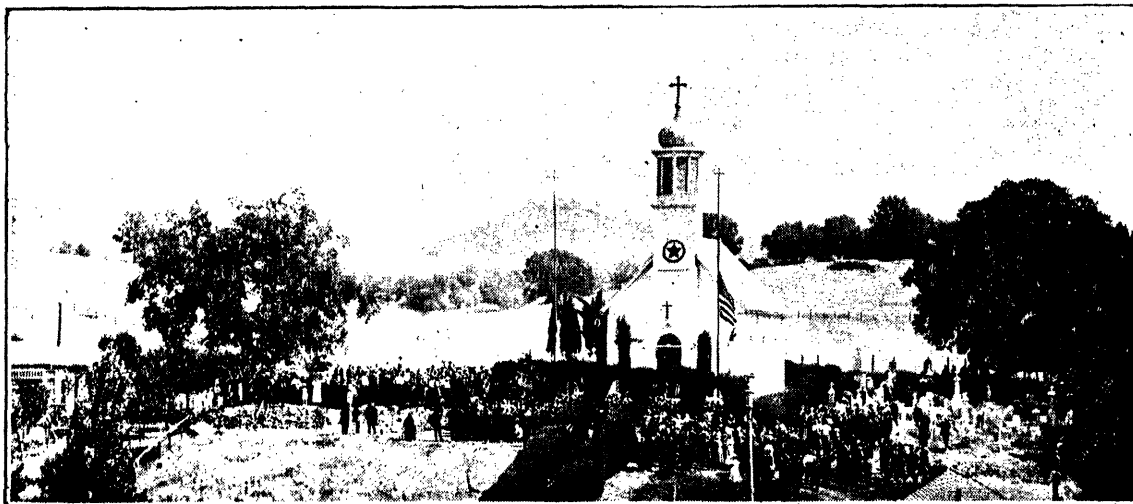


- H ST. SAVA SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH
- B ST. SAVA SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH HOME
- C BARBEQUE PIT (ABOVE GROUND)
- D PARSONAGE (1894 - CA. 1953) SITE
- E PRIVY (1894 - CA. 1945)
- F PRIVY (CA. 1945 - 1981)

PHOTOS:  
 10 }  
 11 } INTERIOR OF  
 12 } CHURCH

SCALE:  $\frac{1}{50}'' = 1'$

Fig 7-12



St. Sava's

Photograph loaned by parishioners

### SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

On January 11, 1894, Sam Bright gave a deed to Father Sebastian Dabovich, acting as agent for the bishop of the Diocese of Alaska, in whose name the present Serbian church property was bought. Present custodians of the beautiful house of worship, which looks like a charming bit of the old world set down among Amador hills are M. Banicevich, P. Bakach, G. Bakach, L. Churich, N. Perovich, M. Kurulich, J. Milojevich, J. Chorovich, R. Prentovich, N. Zivkovich and V. Zerdo. S. Dabovich, the first priest in Jackson, was a Plymouth boy educated in the University of Moscow. He is now in Serbia. Priests from San Francisco now conduct services on holy days. Shortly a regular pastor is to be appointed for Oakland, where a new church has just been built, Angels Camp and Jackson. The bishop appointed by the government in Belgrade lives in Chicago. Cyril Kashaveroff, who went to school here while his father was the priest, is now a revenue officer in Alaska.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Milojevich, Mr. Radovich and their friends, we have secured this picture of the church. Since war days, these men have been enthusiastic assistants of anyone who has undertaken public work. Their courtesy and generosity are appreciated.

### PROTESTANT CHURCHES

Rev. Edwin Brown is the well liked and able pastor of the Methodist-Episcopal churches of Jackson and surrounding towns. The church on Church Street has recently been repainted and the adjoining parsonage renovated. En-

thusiastic congregations help to keep alive in the communities the best early day traditions and to foster the finest of present day ideals.

### CATHOLIC CHURCH IN JACKSON

The first Catholic church was built where the Paul Poggi house stands, across from the California Hotel. The pastor from Sutter Creek served the people when the first resident priest, Father King, arrived. In 1862, the church burned, when the whole town went up in smoke, and from that time until '66, services were held in the courthouse. In the latter year the church lot was bought and Father Walsh and Archbishop Allemanay started and dedicated the present church. The lumber came from a Clinton sawmill.

Funds were obtained by subscription and giving a Church Fair, always a favorite way of getting money when no other way prevailed. One afternoon, Mrs. Meehan and Miss Clancy walked to Sutter Creek and returned with \$500 donated by the generous people of our sister town. In 1869, Mr. Roche Caminetti (father of our senator) was made superintendent of the church library, and John Murphy, (brother of George Murphy) manager. The first books had been purchased with \$400, proceeds of an amateur play in which Mr. R. Caminetti and Mrs. Meehan took the leading roles. Mrs. Miner collected the money for the church bell.

The present pastors are Rev. M. Kearney and Rev. M. O'Connor, Jackson and Sutter Creek respectively; also hold services in Ione, Amador City and Plymouth.

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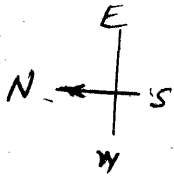


ST. SAVA SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH  
PARSONAGE

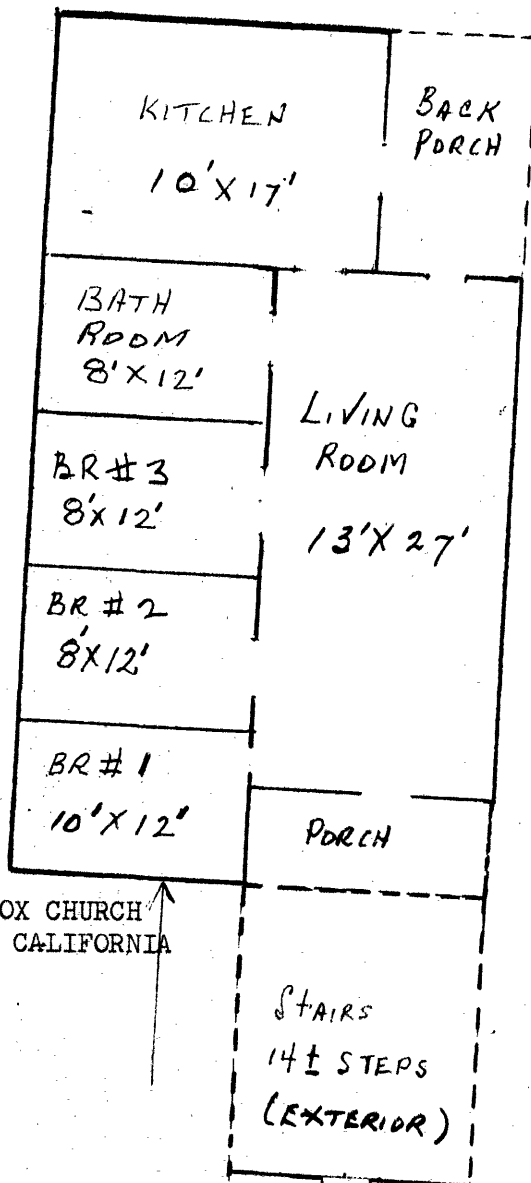
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INTERIOR:

FLOOR PLAN: (DIMENSIONS ARE APPROXIMATE)



1/10" = 1'



EAST FENCE  
 ROADWAY TO TYACK LANE (N. JACKSON CE)  
 GATE

SMALL LAWN?  
 20' x 26'±

NO GARDEN  
 PREHAPS A GRAPE ARBOR

GRAVE YARD

POST & WIRE FENCE

90' SOUTH

ST. SAVA SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH  
 JACKSON, AMADOR COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

\* VEHICLE ENTRANCE TO PARSONAGE VIA TYACK LANE, EAST OF CHURCH PROPERTY TO PARSONAGE.

PATH FROM STREET TO BUILDING (STEPS + LANDINGS) -- NON-EXISTENT

NW corner of Parcel ④  
 RESSOR'S MAP 20-13

SIDE WALK

STAIR (EXISTENT)  
 FIGURE 7-1E

ST. SAVA SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH  
 JACKSON, AMADOR COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

ST. SAVA SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

STEPS & PATH TO PARSONAGE (SITE)

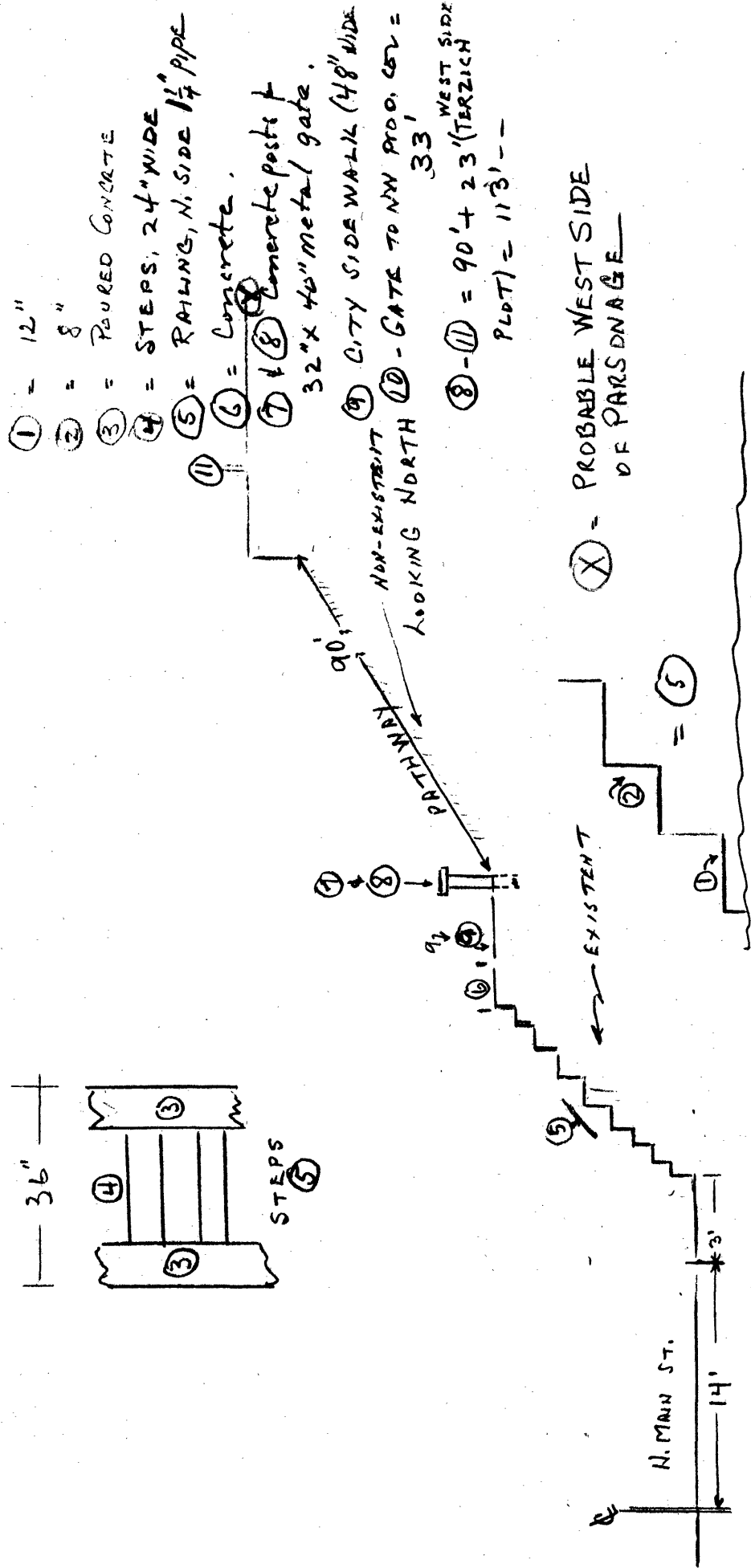


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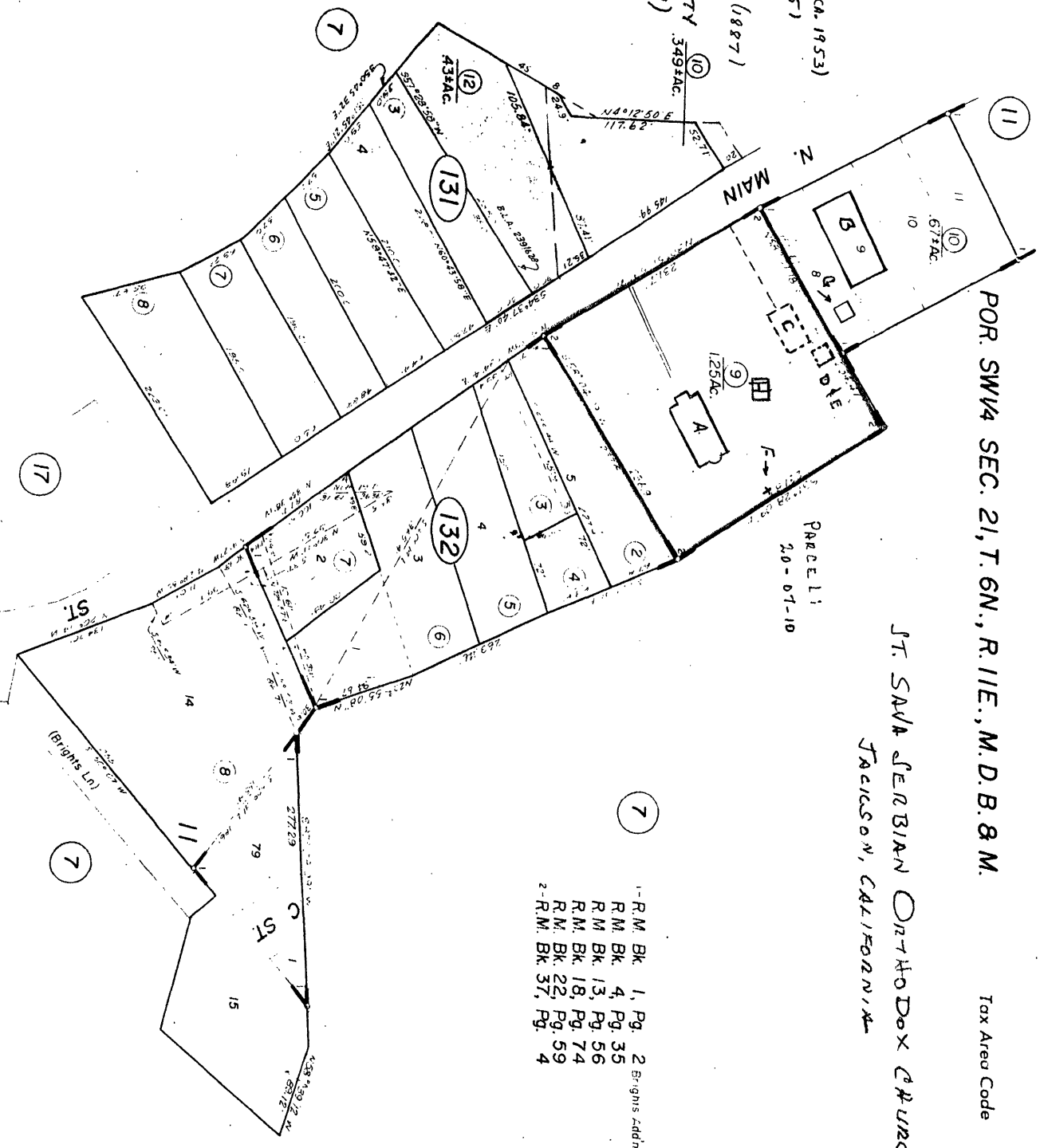
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Tax Area Code

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ST. SAVA SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH  
TACICSON, CALIFORNIA

- H CHURCH
- R ST SAVA HOME
- C PARSONAGE (1894 - CA. 1953)
- D PRY (1894 - CA. 1945)
- E PRY (CA. 1945 - 1981)
- F FIRST KNOWN GRAVE (1887)
- G BARBED WIRE
- H NOMINATED PROPERTY .349±AC.  
(PARCEL: 20-13209)



1-R.M. Bk. 1, Pg. 2 Rights Addn  
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 R.M. Bk. 18, Pg. 74  
 R.M. Bk. 22, Pg. 59  
 2-R.M. Bk. 37, Pg. 4

NOTE—Assessor's Block Numbers Shown in Ellipses.  
 Assessor's Parcel Numbers Shown in Circles.

Assessor's Map Bk. 20, Pg. 13  
 County of Amador, Calif.  
 CURRENT MAP AS OF JUNE 1984