

# HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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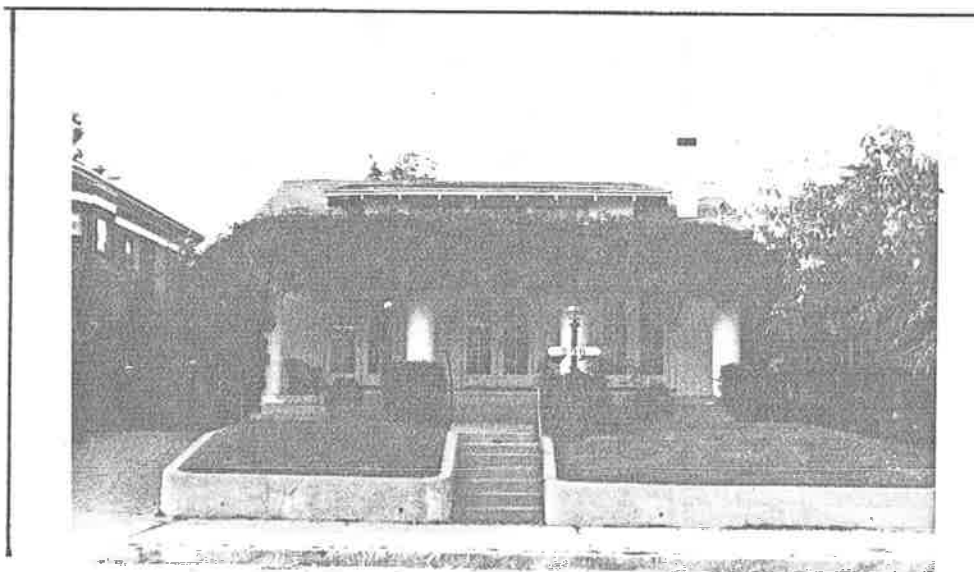
## IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Historic name: Fred Cossett House
3. Street or rural address: 890 Buchon Street  
City San Luis Obispo Zip 93401 County San Luis Obispo
4. Parcel number: 03-537-12
5. Present Owner: Fitzpatrick, E.M. Address: 1740 Fixlini  
City San Luis Obispo Zip 93401 Ownership is: Public \_\_\_\_\_ Private X
6. Present Use: Commercial Original use: Residential

## DESCRIPTION

- 7a. Architectural style: Classic Revival
- 7b. Briefly describe the present *physical description* of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

An open porch extends across the entire front of this house, and is supported by four generously proportioned round columns with exposed rafters underneath. Three pairs of double French doors with multiple lights are arranged across the front. A dormer window has six panels each with 10 lights.



8. Construction date:  
Estimated \_\_\_\_\_ Factual 1919
9. Architect Unknown
10. Builder H.E. Lyman
11. Approx. property size (in feet)  
Frontage 65' Depth 115'  
or approx. acreage \_\_\_\_\_
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)  
December 1982

13. Condition: Excellent ☒ Good \_\_\_\_\_ Fair \_\_\_\_\_ Deteriorated \_\_\_\_\_ No longer in existence \_\_\_\_\_
14. Alterations: \_\_\_\_\_
15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land \_\_\_\_\_ Scattered buildings \_\_\_\_\_ Densely built-up \_\_\_\_\_  
Residential ☒ Industrial \_\_\_\_\_ Commercial \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
16. Threats to site: None known ☒ Private development \_\_\_\_\_ Zoning \_\_\_\_\_ Vandalism \_\_\_\_\_  
Public Works project \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
17. Is the structure: On its original site? ☒ Yes Moved? \_\_\_\_\_ Unknown? \_\_\_\_\_
18. Related features: \_\_\_\_\_

### SIGNIFICANCE

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)

This delicate Classical Revival style house at 890 Buchon stands out among the architecture of San Luis Obispo as an example of incremental building patterns. Eclectic in its incorporation of Craftsman and Neo-Classic modes, the house itself is Craftsman with hints of the Prairie School of which the dormer window banding is an example. Four bold, massive Ionic columns are distinct elements of Neo-Classic architecture. The house was constructed in 1919 for Pete Paulson, a salesman for the Channel Commercial Company, who bought the lot from the company's owner, Fred Cossett. The 30 x 44', one story, wood and plaster residence was constructed by H.E. Lyman, a local contractor at a cost of \$2500.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)  
Architecture 1 Arts & Leisure \_\_\_\_\_  
Economic/Industrial \_\_\_\_\_ Exploration/Settlement \_\_\_\_\_  
Government \_\_\_\_\_ Military \_\_\_\_\_  
Religion \_\_\_\_\_ Social/Education \_\_\_\_\_

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).

City Building Permits (1919)  
Interview with Elsie Mizio  
(June 8, 1983)

22. Date form prepared JUN 17 1983  
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Locational sketch map (draw and label site and surrounding streets, roads, and prominent landmarks):

