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ADDRESS: 238 South Bunker Hill Avenue (Originally 128)
OWNER: Judge Julius Brousseau. To be purchased by the
Community Redevelopment Agency and DEMOLISHED
USE: Presently a rooming house

ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

Bunker Hill District was developed during the first waves of real-estate speculation and boom that came with the extension of Southern Pacific Railroad to Los Angeles in 1876, and the construction of the Santa Fe Railroad, completed in 1886; and came to an abrupt recession with the bursting of the bubble in 1888.

Large mansions of the wealthy, designed in the flamboyant styles that were the fashion of the time, were constructed on Bunker Hill, giving way in the 90's to homes for the professional class, and finally, after 1900, to residential hotels and apartment buildings. The mansions have disappeared and the few examples of the eclectic residential architecture remaining at this writing are of modest proportions. They are doomed for demolition with the redevelopment of the Bunker Hill Redevelopment Project.

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Believed to have been built in 1895 by Judge Brousseau who is listed in the City Directory of 1888 with an office in the Baker Block, 242 North Main Street, Los Angeles. See CAL-344 for more complete Historical and Architectural information regarding Bunker Hill District.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

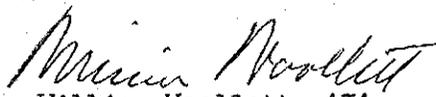
Two and one-half story wood frame house with 3,963 square feet plus porches.

Exterior: typical clapboard siding; pitched roofs and gables; decorative open porches; wood doors and double-hung windows; brick foundations; square cupola with Mansard roof and small dormers at southwest corner.

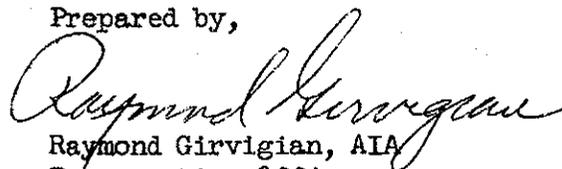
Interior: typical Bunker Hill construction.

Overall dimensions: 41' x 40', approximately.

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