

Silvia Roncetti House, Outbuilding
River Street Historic District
47-49 N. River Street
San Jose
Santa Clara County
California

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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

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Location: 47-49 North River Street, River Street Historic District
San Jose, Santa Clara County, California
UTM Coordinates: 10-597725-413225

Significance: The Silvia Roncetti House Outbuilding, due to its architectural integrity and contribution to the urban fabric, forms an integral part of the River Street Historic District, a rare intact late nineteenth and early twentieth century working class neighborhood in San Jose.

Description: The Silvia Roncetti House Outbuilding is a two story garage/carriage house with a gabled roof and channel rustic wood siding. The low first story incorporates a garage on the southern end accessed by an eight foot wide double door. The upper story, accessed by stairs in the northeast corner, contains a central door on the east elevation flanked by two windows with sill moldings. All windows are wood sash, double hung. There are non-contributing shed roofed additions to the rear and north sides, as well as an additional garage shed on the south side. The first floor plan consists of a partition wall that isolates the garage, and a living area on the north side that contains a living room, dining area, kitchen, and bathroom on the first floor.

History: According to Mikesell, this was the original main house which was moved to the rear of the lot in 1922. This building was constructed around 1910 and was occupied by Silvia and Agata Roncetti until 1922, when the house was moved. Mikesell also indicates that the new main house was moved to this site in the 1930s. Silvia Roncetti was an Italian-born peddler and was probably the original occupant of the house. The Roncettis are listed at the rear address in 1923. Felix Savio is listed as the owner on a 1924 block map and several tenants continued to occupy both buildings on the property, (including A.P. Savio in 1947) until to the present.

Sources: California Historic Resources Inventory Form, prepared by
Stephen D. Mikesell, 1988.
San Jose City Directories.
San Jose 1924 Block Map.

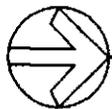
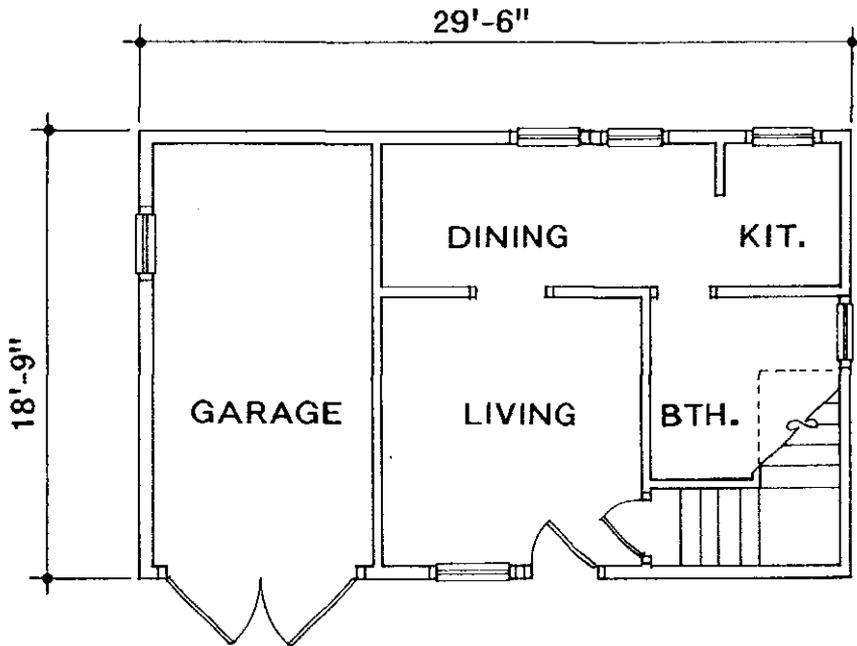
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East Front Elevation
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East Front Elevation, facing southwest
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FIRST FLOOR PLAN

1/8" = 1' - 0"