

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service**National Register of Historic Places Registration Form**

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form*. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions.

**1. Name of Property**Historic name: George T. Kluegel Residence

Other names/site number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of related multiple property listing:

N/A

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

**2. Location**Street & number: 2933-B Laukoa PlaceCity or town: Honolulu State: Hawai'i County: HonoluluNot For Publication: ☐ Vicinity: ☐**3. State/Federal Agency Certification**

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,

I hereby certify that this \_\_\_ nomination \_\_\_ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.

In my opinion, the property \_\_\_ meets \_\_\_ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

\_\_\_national \_\_\_statewide \_\_\_local

Applicable National Register Criteria:

\_\_\_A \_\_\_B \_\_\_C \_\_\_D

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Signature of certifying official/Title:\_\_\_\_\_  
Date\_\_\_\_\_  
State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

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In my opinion, the property \_\_\_ meets \_\_\_ does not meet the National Register criteria.

Signature of commenting official:

Date

Title :

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or Tribal Government

#### 4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

- \_\_\_ entered in the National Register  
\_\_\_ determined eligible for the National Register  
\_\_\_ determined not eligible for the National Register  
\_\_\_ removed from the National Register  
\_\_\_ other (explain:) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

#### 5. Classification

##### Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply.)

Private:

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Public – Local

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Public – State

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Public – Federal

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##### Category of Property

(Check only **one** box.)

Building(s)

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District

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| Site | Year | Age | Sex | Weight (kg) | Height (cm) | Body Mass Index (kg/m <sup>2</sup> ) | Waist Circumference (cm) | Hip Circumference (cm) | Waist-Hip Ratio | Triceps Skinfold Thickness (mm) | Biceps Skinfold Thickness (mm) | Subscapular Skinfold Thickness (mm) | Sum of Four Skinfolds (mm) | Visceral Fat Area (cm <sup>2</sup> ) | Subcutaneous Fat Area (cm <sup>2</sup> ) | Total Fat Area (cm <sup>2</sup> ) | Visceral Fat Volume (L) | Subcutaneous Fat Volume (L) | Total Fat Volume (L) |
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| 1    | 2010 | 25  | M   | 75          | 175         | 24.2                                 | 95                       | 100                    | 0.95            | 12                              | 10                             | 15                                  | 37                         | 150                                  | 200                                      | 350                               | 1.5                     | 2.0                         | 3.5                  |
| 2    | 2011 | 26  | F   | 60          | 160         | 23.4                                 | 85                       | 90                     | 0.94            | 10                              | 8                              | 12                                  | 30                         | 120                                  | 150                                      | 270                               | 1.2                     | 1.5                         | 2.7                  |
| 3    | 2012 | 27  | M   | 80          | 180         | 24.7                                 | 100                      | 105                    | 0.95            | 15                              | 12                             | 18                                  | 45                         | 180                                  | 220                                      | 400                               | 1.8                     | 2.2                         | 4.0                  |
| 4    | 2013 | 28  | F   | 65          | 165         | 23.9                                 | 90                       | 95                     | 0.94            | 11                              | 9                              | 14                                  | 34                         | 130                                  | 160                                      | 290                               | 1.3                     | 1.6                         | 2.9                  |
| 5    | 2014 | 29  | M   | 70          | 170         | 24.1                                 | 92                       | 98                     | 0.94            | 13                              | 11                             | 16                                  | 40                         | 160                                  | 200                                      | 360                               | 1.6                     | 2.0                         | 3.6                  |

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### Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count)

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Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register \_\_\_\_\_

## 6. Function or Use

## Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Domestic/Multi Dwelling

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## Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Domestic/Multi Dwelling

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## 7. Description

### Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Late 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> Century Revivals/Colonial Revival/Dutch Revival

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**Materials:** (enter categories from instructions.)

Principal exterior materials of the property:

Wood, Stone (Lava Rock), Concrete

### Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current physical appearance and condition of the property. Describe contributing and noncontributing resources if applicable. Begin with a **summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, type, style, method of construction, setting, size, and significant features. Indicate whether the property has historic integrity.)

#### Summary Paragraph

The George T. Kluegel Residence was constructed within Honolulu's first housing subdivision, Pacific Heights, on one of 92 lots initially offered for sale (see Figures 1 & 2- Continuation Sheet) after the undeveloped hillside parcels were scooped up in the early 1900's by prominent businessmen and wealthy families, whose members were part of the established *haole* (Caucasian) elite in the islands. While the original drawings for the main residence have not been located, the house displays characteristics and features of the "Dutch Colonial Revival" style of architecture of the Late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. A later version of its predecessor the "Dutch Colonial", American settlers from the Netherlands originated this style in the mid - early 1600's to the mid-1800's. Local newspaper articles and advertisements for the Pacific Heights development in early 1900, along with the purchase of the property for the first time by Mr. Kluegel in May of 1901, strongly suggest the house as being built sometime between 1900 and 1901. By 1902 it was extant, based on an implied mention of the home within an unrelated newspaper article. Finally, in June of 1904, a newspaper advertisement for the sale (auction) of the home describes it for the very first time.

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Based on its appearance and materials, the house appears primarily in its original form (plan shape/footprint and materials), undergoing some exterior and interior alterations over its estimated 122-year history. The most notable changes are to approximately half of its windows with the inclusion of glass jalousies, picture, and 4-panel awning windows replacing what was likely double-hung glass wood-framed windows (some original windows and window screens remain on the first floor, west side of the house). There are two other structures on the property, a four-vehicle carport and a one-story bungalow. The date the carport was built is unknown. Property tax records indicate the bungalow was built in 1943 during WWII.

### **Narrative Description**

The earliest recorded rendering of the George T. Kluegel home is an outline of it on a Sanborn Fire Insurance map, which shows the footprint of the main house as extant in 1927 (Figure 4). It is a two-story Dutch Colonial Revival house with a rectangular plan shape on an east-west axis and a multi-planed, asphalt shingle roof. The house is wood-framed and built of wood; of double-wall construction; with the exterior walls clad in shiplap and wood shake siding. The roof is two-sided at the west end in the gambrel style, characterized by its two slopes on each side, the upper slope positioned at a shallow angle, with the lower slope having a much steeper pitch. At the east end the roof is hipped with a gablet, with short catslides and shed dormers on both its north and south gabled sides. Due to its location on a steep hillside within the Pacific Heights subdivision neighborhood, the west end of the building is set on posts and piers, and its east end on a lava rock and concrete foundation. While there are several entry points to the house, the main entrance doors are located on the south side.

The 20,642 square-foot inverted flag-shaped property is located at the end of a long, hairpin-turn driveway that traverses past two other plots below Laukoa Place, which runs parallel and adjacent to Pacific Heights Road. Immediately south-east of and adjacent to the house is a low pitch gable roof rectangular-shaped four-vehicle carport, with wooden posts and concrete piers set on a north-south axis. It is open sided on three sides, with a lava rock retaining wall of the neighboring property to the east also functioning as an enclosing wall at the rear of the carport. It is unclear when the carport was constructed, as an outline of it isn't shown on the 1927 Sanborn map. It appears to have been built after the main house was constructed.

To the south-west of the house, and directly across from the carport, is a single-story, low pitch gabled roof, bungalow vernacular dwelling with a roughly square-shaped layout sited on an east-west axis. City and County of Honolulu property tax records show that the bungalow was built in 1943. It is wood framed of single-wall construction, its exterior walls built of vertical wooden boards, with large overhanging eaves for protection from the rain and sun at its east and west sides. Due to its location on a steep hillside, the building rests on tall wooden posts set into concrete piers on its west side, and on similarly tall posts and piers on its north and south sides.

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Its east side also sits atop posts and piers, but the posts are shorter in height where the building sits at the top of the slope. Horizontal wooden slats help obscure the undercarriage of the bungalow, and this band of skirting surrounds the entire foundation, including an open-sided, shed roof, wooden porch on the east (mauka/mountain) side of the building. The homeowners explained that this porch (a wooden shed roof structure with wood rails, floorboards, and a gate) replaced, within the past 4 years, a covered porch (a wooden shed roof structure with a wood gang-plank walkway leading to the kitchen door) that became the victim of exposure to the rain and the elements and subsequent wood rot.

Additions to the property have been minimal, including a shade structure constructed sometime around 2015. This open-air, square-shaped/four-sided, hipped roof wooden *pavilion* was built between the carport and the main house. This new addition has been thoughtfully incorporated onto the property and does not detract from its historic surroundings. It is a non-contributing structure of this nomination.

The interior of the main house includes 4,233 square feet of living space between two floors. It has 6 bedrooms (4 upstairs and 2 downstairs); 3 full bathrooms on the second floor; and a full bathroom on the first floor. The second floor appears to retain its original layout and use as bedrooms, with one each of two large bedrooms anchored at the ends of the floor and two smaller rooms between them, one on each side of the house. Each of the two large end bedrooms have their own full bathroom, and the third full bath is connected to the smaller room (a bedroom) located at the top of the stairwell on the south side of the house. The other small room on the north side of the house appears to have originally functioned as a library with its built-in shelves.

On the first floor are two bedrooms and a full bath (originally a half-bath that now includes a fiberglass shower enclosure). However, the bedroom on the north side may have originally been a utility room as it contained sinks (now gone) and glass-front cupboards (extant), and there is a door on its west end that connects it to the rear of the kitchen located next to it. Across a short hallway (that also leads to the foyer) between the two bedrooms is the bedroom on the south side of the house, with a full (originally half) bath connected to it to the west. There is a door on the west end of the bathroom, allowing immediate access to and from the foyer.

The remainder of the first floor includes the front entrance door and foyer, with a stairwell at the rear of the foyer that ascends to the second floor; a large and expansive living room/dining room space to the west; and a kitchen to the north. Along the west wall of the living room/dining room is a series of glass picture windows with a spectacular vista overlooking Honolulu and the 'Ewa portion of O'ahu. Without original drawings it is difficult to ascertain the type of windows that were originally in place there, however the current configuration of glass picture windows allows for maximum viewing and enjoyment of the Honolulu skyline and the Pacific Ocean from the

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spacious main dining and entertaining areas of the house. Dutch Colonial Revival homes can also include neo-classical architectural elements. Within the living room/dining room space are a series of three painted, cast iron Classical Roman order Tuscan Columns. The columns bear the weight of the building's second floor load, their functionality and the simplicity of their smooth sides (a variation of the Greek Doric column) being character-defining features of the house's Dutch Colonial Revival design. Six Chinese painted glass (*eglonise*) hanging lanterns (one in the foyer and four in the living room/dining room) and endemic 'ōhi'a wood plank flooring throughout the foyer and living room/dining room areas are local vernacular elements that impart the interior with Hawaiian/Pacific and Asian characteristics.

The interior of the 1943, World War II built single-floor bungalow, appears to remain intact as well. It includes 806 square feet of living space and has one bedroom with a full bath, a kitchen, and a living/dining room area. The bedroom and attached bath and the kitchen are positioned east of the living/dining room, with the living/dining space occupying the entire west side of the building. Like the living room/dining room of the main house, the bungalow takes advantage of its views of Honolulu with the inclusion of a continuous band of tall, sliding, wood-framed glass windows and wood-framed screens behind them along the length of its west wall, wrapping around to the south wall as well. The windows and the building all look original in their layout and primary materials to its 1943 construction. The wood plank flooring appears original, and the board and batten wall treatment in the living room extends to the ceiling as well. The bungalow may have served as additional living space for family members or as rental property income.

The landscape is another feature that enhances the Dutch Revival Colonial house within its local, Hawaiian setting. Foundation plantings including *Ki* (ti leaf plant), *Tahitian Gardenia*, and *Areca Palms* around the skirting of the bungalow; a *Crown Flower* bush in front of the main house; and a few mature trees throughout the property. Some of these trees include a variety of *Mango* between the carport and the main house, and two *Royal Palms*. One *Royal Palm* tree is sited in the front yard (the overlook area) between the main house and the bungalow, and the top of the other royal palm tree is visible in the near distance, in the view overlooking Honolulu. The latter royal palm is located on a front lawn in an area of the Kluegel property below the two houses. At the top of the slope, which is currently overgrown with scrub plants and weeds, are concrete and steps with lava rock side walls leading down to this front lawn. The current property owners, who have lived on the property for 50 years, described the stairs as leading to a lawn that was once cleared of vegetation, and containing a bird bath garden feature. Due to the difficulties in managing the area downslope from the main property level, over the years wild grasses and bushes have overtaken the lawn and stairs, making it practically impossible to access.

It is difficult to know the original intentions for this lawn without the original architectural drawings or landscape plans to refer to, however the stairway and presence of a bird bath

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indicate an effort was made to access this part of the front of the property on a regular or semi-regular basis, perhaps for enjoying the views or for recreational and relaxation purposes.

Both houses are located on the hillside of the historic Pacific Heights neighborhood, and by all accounts are assumed to have been originally sited and built there. The design of each house is evident, with a Dutch Colonial Revival plan for the main house and a simplistic but functional local, vernacular Hawaiian style design for the bungalow. Despite changes made to the exteriors of both buildings, these modifications mostly keep within the style and character of each house and do not substantially detract from their respective character defining features, leaving their original designs intact.

The setting is probably similar to the original the houses were built within, the immediate surroundings filled with trees and vegetation on the hillside. The materials used to build the two houses appear to be original to their construction, and any features that were repaired or changed were replaced with compatible or visually compatible materials. Workmanship is apparent in both houses, both in their exteriors and interiors. While the architects and contractor/builders of both buildings are unknown, the combination of design and construction produced homes that have withstood the ravages with the weathering elements of rain, wind, and sun, especially being sited high within the Pacific Heights subdivision. The inclusion of rare 'ōhi'a wood flooring at the entrance/foyer and throughout the entertaining areas of the first floor of the main house shows a pride in the beauty and workmanship of using an enduring local hardwood for a stately home in the early and exclusive Pacific Heights neighborhood.

The feeling when approaching and entering both houses is that of being in the past, a time when high ceilings and sweeping views were normal and expected for grand hillside homes. Through its physical characteristics, the property has a tangible association with being part of the larger once (and still) impressive Pacific Heights subdivision, the first lofty, hillside residential neighborhood overlooking a bustling post-World War I and pre-World War II Honolulu.



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## 8. Statement of Significance

### Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- ☒ A. Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- ☐ B. Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- ☒ C. Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack
- ☐ D. Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

### Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

- ☐ A. Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes
- ☐ B. Removed from its original location
- ☐ C. A birthplace or grave
- ☐ D. A cemetery
- ☐ E. A reconstructed building, object, or structure
- ☐ F. A commemorative property
- ☐ G. Less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years

### Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions.)

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Architecture  
Community Planning & Development  
Landscape Architecture  
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**Period of Significance**

circa 1900  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Significant Dates**

circa 1900  
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**Significant Person**

(Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)

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**Cultural Affiliation**

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**Architect/Builder**

Unknown  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph** (Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance, applicable criteria, justification for the period of significance, and any applicable criteria considerations.)

The George T. Kluegel Residence is significant under Criteria A and C. Criterion A for its association with the earliest development, estimated to be circa 1900, of the Pacific Heights subdivision of Honolulu, the first real estate development in Honolulu whose origins date to 1899. And it is significant under Criterion C, as the main house embodies the distinctive characteristics of the “Dutch Colonial Revival” architectural style. The bungalow (built in 1943) exhibits a local vernacular architecture with its wide overhanging eaves, vertical wood plank exterior, and simplistic design, and the carport is similar with its wooden posts, low-pitch gabled roof, and lava rock rear retaining wall.

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**Narrative Statement of Significance** (Provide at least **one** paragraph for each area of significance.)

Pacific Heights is widely regarded as Honolulu's first real estate development, its origins rooted by the increasing need in the late 1800's for homes outside of the bustling and crowded central Honolulu area. The American Annexation of the Hawaiian Kingdom in 1893; the establishment of a Provisional Government in 1895; and the commencement of the Republic of Hawaii in 1898 brought about many changes, one of them being an increase in the local population due to the influx of Americans and other curious and entrepreneurial types to the islands. One man, a Mr. Charles Desky, conjured up the idea to promote the hills between Nu'uuanu and Pauoa Valleys as an ideal place to construct one's dream home, with its fantastic views and close proximity to the capital city of Honolulu. Starting in 1899 the lots were heavily promoted (Figures 5 – 7) , with a specially installed electric railway (Pacific Heights Electric Railway/Pacific Heights Electric Railway Co., Ltd.) to take potential buyers and the curious above Downtown Honolulu to observe the panoramic views they could enjoy if they purchased a parcel.

In 1898 Charles Desky was manager of Bruce Waring & Company, a company that controlled the real estate business on O'ahu. Prior to promoting the Pacific Heights subdivision in 1899, Desky was involved with a failed scheme called "Cyclomere Bicycle Track" in the Kewalo area of Honolulu. Cyclomere was a bicycle track laid out between the makai (ocean) side of what is now Kapi'olani Boulevard, between Cooke Street and Ward Avenue. It opened in November of 1897 to somewhat enthusiastic use and promotion, however within 6 months the track closed and efforts were immediately made to turn the land into potential future house lots. A 10-acre pond that surrounded the racing track was infilled with the decomposed coral that made up the surface of the track, more dirt was piled in, and then Mr. Desky started selling the land as lots for residences to be built. Honolulu Ironworks would be taking up business in the area so that likely appealed to Desky as a more financially lucrative. His endeavors were stalled when, after selling 29 lots, it was learned that he wasn't paying down the underlying mortgage from the proceeds of lot sales. Desky said he needed the money for "other purposes". Facing foreclosure, the issue was eventually cleared in court and in 1899 Charles Desky commenced with his next business venture, the Pacific Heights residential subdivision. After purchasing 450 undeveloped acres in the hills above Honolulu from a Mr. Charles Booth, starting in 1899 Desky set about once again to sell land lots to potential buyers to build new homes.

It was during this period of Charles Desky's latest undertaking that George Taylor Kluegel entered the Pacific Heights scene. The son of a prosperous civil engineer who moved to the islands with his family in 1888, George was the eldest of four children and graduated from Oahu College (Punahou School) in 1894. A biographical timeline of George was gleaned from newspaper articles and notices in local newspapers of the time, which covered such subjects as his marriage and when he purchased Lot #52 at Pacific Heights. George married Ellen "Nellie" McIntyre in August of 1900, and on May 10, 1901 Charles Desky and his wife issued a Deed to

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George, with a Mortgage in George's name of \$5,500 for 2 years at 7% per annum being taken on the same day to Charles Desky ("The Evening Bulletin", 5/31/1901, page 7). An Assignment of Mortgage was taken on June 29, 1901, from Desky to Bishop & Company. George Kluegel became the first purchaser of Lot #52 under Charles Desky, and while the Deed itself (Liber 223, Folio 169) does not call out the house within its description, it can be reasonably ascertained that the house was on site because \$5,500 would've been on the higher end for a mortgage on a Pacific Heights lot if the property didn't include a home to live in with his new bride. The next mention of a house on the Kluegel property was within a paragraph of the social happenings/events section of "The Evening Bulletin" for August 23, 1902. It states in passing:

"J. G. Pratt met with a painful accident last evening. While on the way to visit George Kluegel on Pacific Heights stepped over an embankment five feet high and fell on a rock, fracturing his right ankle. He was found and carried to his home."

Attorney and real estate investor Joseph G. Pratt was George's neighbor who lived in a magnificent Late Victorian/Queen Anne style home uphill on Pacific Heights Road, his house having been part of the first construction of homes on Pacific Heights (circa 1899) which are visible towards the upper-center of the 1899 map of Pacific Heights (Figure 2). George and his wife Nellie must've been living in their home and Joseph was walking over to pay them a visit when he injured himself.

The next mention of a house on the Kluegel property doesn't appear until Will E. Fisher, Auctioneer's advertisement in the June 17, 1904 edition of the "Pacific Commercial Advertiser" newspaper of a June 20, 1904 auction for Lot #52 at Pacific Heights. The ad states: "This lot contains a first class house, two-story, with electric lights and all modern improvements." (Figure 8). Based on the rather inflated price Kluegel paid for his lot in 1901 (high if it didn't have a home on it), and that J. G. Pratt was walking over to visit George presumably in his home in August of 1902, we can estimate that the Dutch Colonial Revival style house was built sometime between 1900 and 1901, and at the very latest by 1904 when the advertisement for the auction appeared in the local newspaper.

In his attempt to drum up sales for the Pacific Heights lots, Charles Desky established Hawai'i's first electric railway which "...took the curious from downtown Honolulu up 900 feet on Pacific Heights where a dance pavilion had been built. The idea was to entertainingly introduce potential buyers to the view from what could be their future home."<sup>1</sup> However, like with his Cyclomere project, Desky was destined for failure. In 1903 the project foreclosed due to mortgage payments not being made for two years. In addition, Desky hadn't recorded the deeds and consequently some buyers lost their lots, George Kluegel's lot being one of them, and they were auctioned off.

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<sup>1</sup> "Honolulu History - 28 Neighborhoods", [www.hawaiiliving.com](http://www.hawaiiliving.com), 9/6/21.

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After two wildly unsuccessful attempts with real estate developments in the islands, Desky soon departed for Shanghai, China. Despite his failed ventures, Charles Desky is sometimes regarded, at least in spirit, as the first real estate developer in the Hawaiian Islands. It wasn't until about twenty years later in 1921, when the government took over the hillside's water system and automobiles became more common, did construction of homes on Pacific Heights finally start to take off. Charles Desky's vision of Pacific Heights as a hillside enclave of upper-class homes not far from the business environs of Honolulu really took shape, with mansions and estates springing up where only the wealthy could afford to build.

The Kluegel property's main residence reflects the influence Colonial Revival architecture had on early homeowners in the islands, such as within the Mānoa and Pacific Heights neighborhoods. Examples of the revival style listed on the Hawai'i and National Registers of Historic Places include Tudor Revival, Colonial Revival, and this nomination's Dutch Colonial Revival architecture. The primary character-defining feature that remains intact on the main house is its gambrel roof, along with its dormers and inclusion of neoclassical cast iron columns. Along with its massing and layout, these physical characteristics appear unaltered from their original date of construction. The wide and high ceilings of the interior's living/dining room areas, with its panoramic lineup of picture windows affording nearly unobstructed views of Honolulu, and original 'ōhi'a wood floors and colorfully painted glass paneled hanging lanterns, are all features that reflect the influence of Hawaiian and Asian cultures on the architectural style.

The second house on the property is in the *bungalow* style, which was constructed within a decade or so after the main house and reflects the local/regional Hawaiian vernacular architecture. It is a relatively plain, one-story, wood-framed house clad in vertical wooden boards with large, overhanging eaves and exposed rafters. It too takes advantage of its views of the city below and Pacific Ocean afar, but instead of glass picture windows there are sliding glass paneled wood-framed windows and screens, which all appear original to the house. Like the bungalow, the four-vehicle carport is simplistic in its construction, with wooden posts, a low-pitch gabled roof, and a lava rock retaining wall of the hillside behind it in effect serving as a rear wall to the structure.

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**Or**

**UTM References**

Datum (indicated on USGS map):

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**Verbal Boundary Description** (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

All of that certain parcel of land known as Parcel C situate on the Southwesterly side of Laukoa Road at Pacific Heights, Honolulu, City and County of Honolulu, State of Hawaii, being a portion of R.P. 302. L.C. Aw. 272, Part 1, to Joseph Booth, being also portions of Lots 51 and 52 of the Pacific Heights Tract (File Plan 171), and Lot 7 of the Nuuanu Hillside Lots (File Plan 184).

**Boundary Justification** (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The boundaries are justified by the current property configuration which contains all the resources described in this nomination, and which follows the legal boundaries set forth in property tax maps and records.



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## Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

- **Maps:** A **USGS map** or equivalent (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.
- **Additional items:** (Check with the SHPO, TPO, or FPO for any additional items.)

## Photographs

Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels (minimum), 3000x2000 preferred, at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map. Each photograph must be numbered and that number must correspond to the photograph number on the photo log. For simplicity, the name of the photographer, photo date, etc. may be listed once on the photograph log and doesn't need to be labeled on every photograph.

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### Photo Log



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Photographer: M. M. Musick

Date Photographed: January 30, 2023

Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera: Rear façade of main house; view facing west.

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Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera: Side façade of main house; view facing north-west.

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Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera: Side façade of main house (with primary entrance); view facing north.



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Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera: Front façade of main house; view facing east.

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Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera: Open-sided, four-vehicle carport; view facing east.

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Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera: Lava rock (moss and blue rock) retaining wall in carport with thick cement mortar; view facing east.



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Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera: An oblique (front and one side) view of the bungalow; view facing south-west.



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Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera: Foyer of main house; view facing north.

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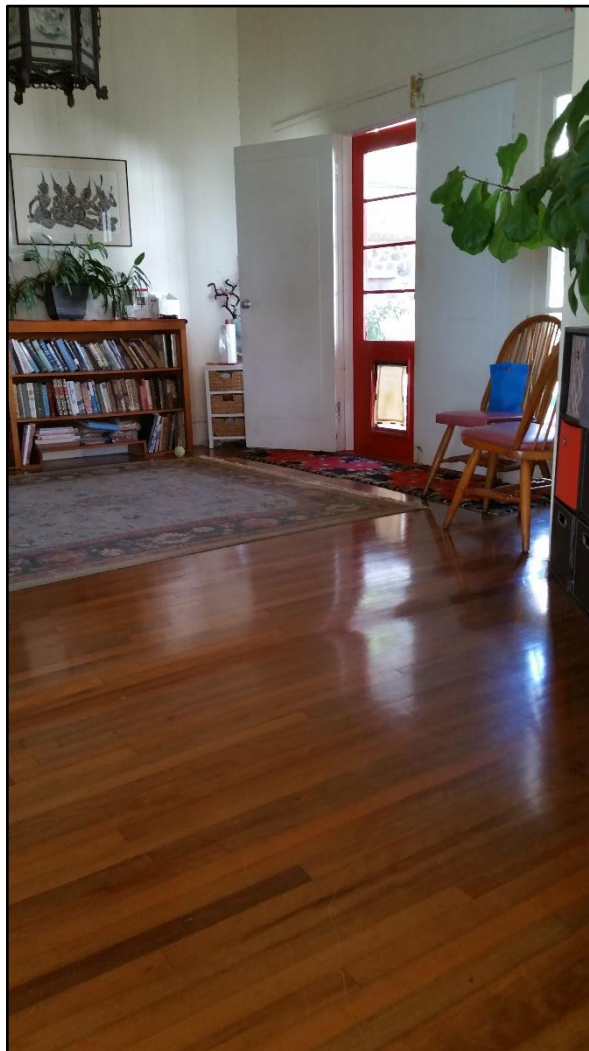
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Date Photographed: January 29, 2023

Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera: Original Chinese lantern with painted glass panels in the foyer; view facing south.

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Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera: Original 'ohia wood flooring in the foyer of the main house; view facing south-east.



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Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera: Expansive living and dining room area on the first floor, with interior Tuscan columns at left and a bank of glass picture windows at right; view facing south-west.

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Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera: Living/Dining Room of the bungalow, with glass sliding windows along the south and west sides; view facing south.



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Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera: Concrete steps leading to the front lawn and bird bath, the lava rock sides and front lawn currently obscured from view and inaccessible due to vegetative overgrowth; view facing west.

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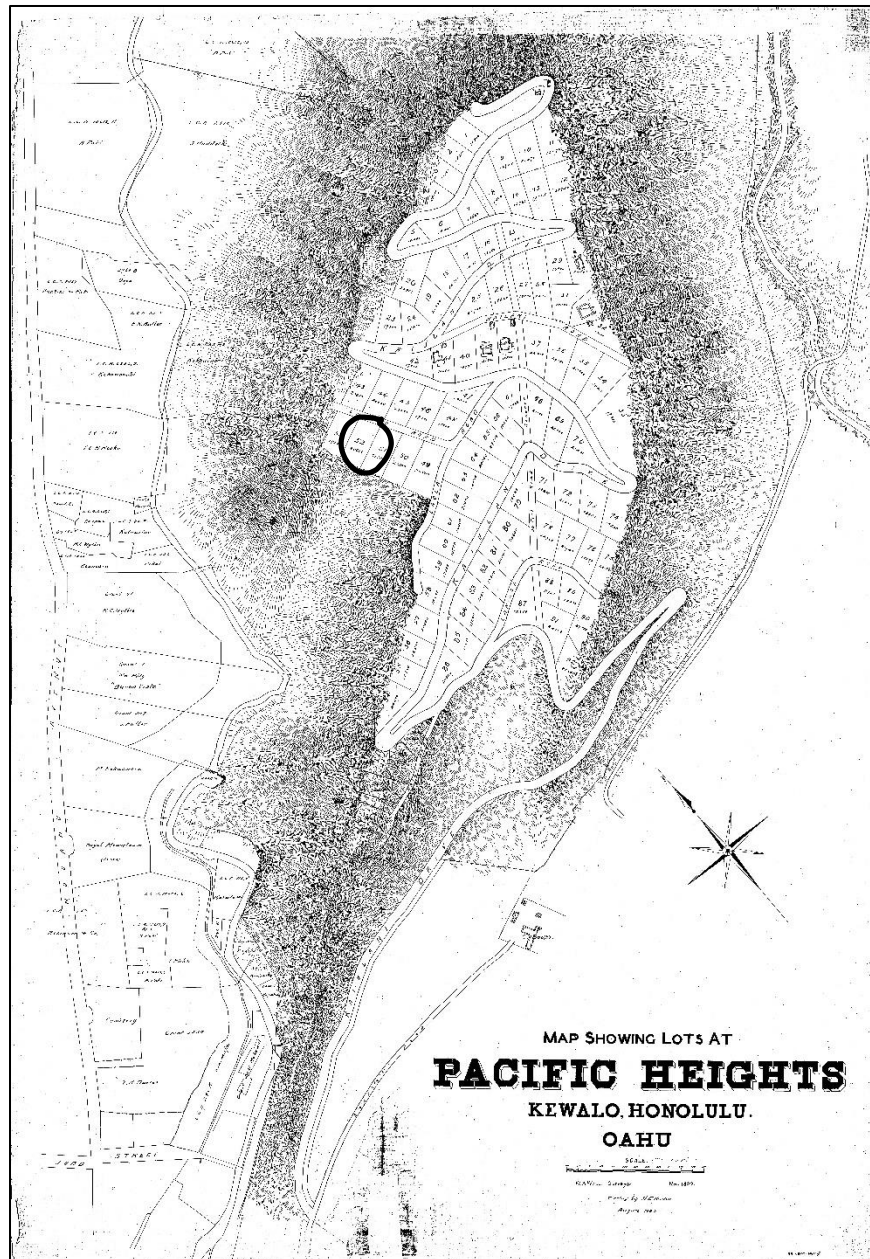


Figure 1 - 1899 Map of Pacific Heights, showing 92 lots for sale; subject property located within area circled on map.

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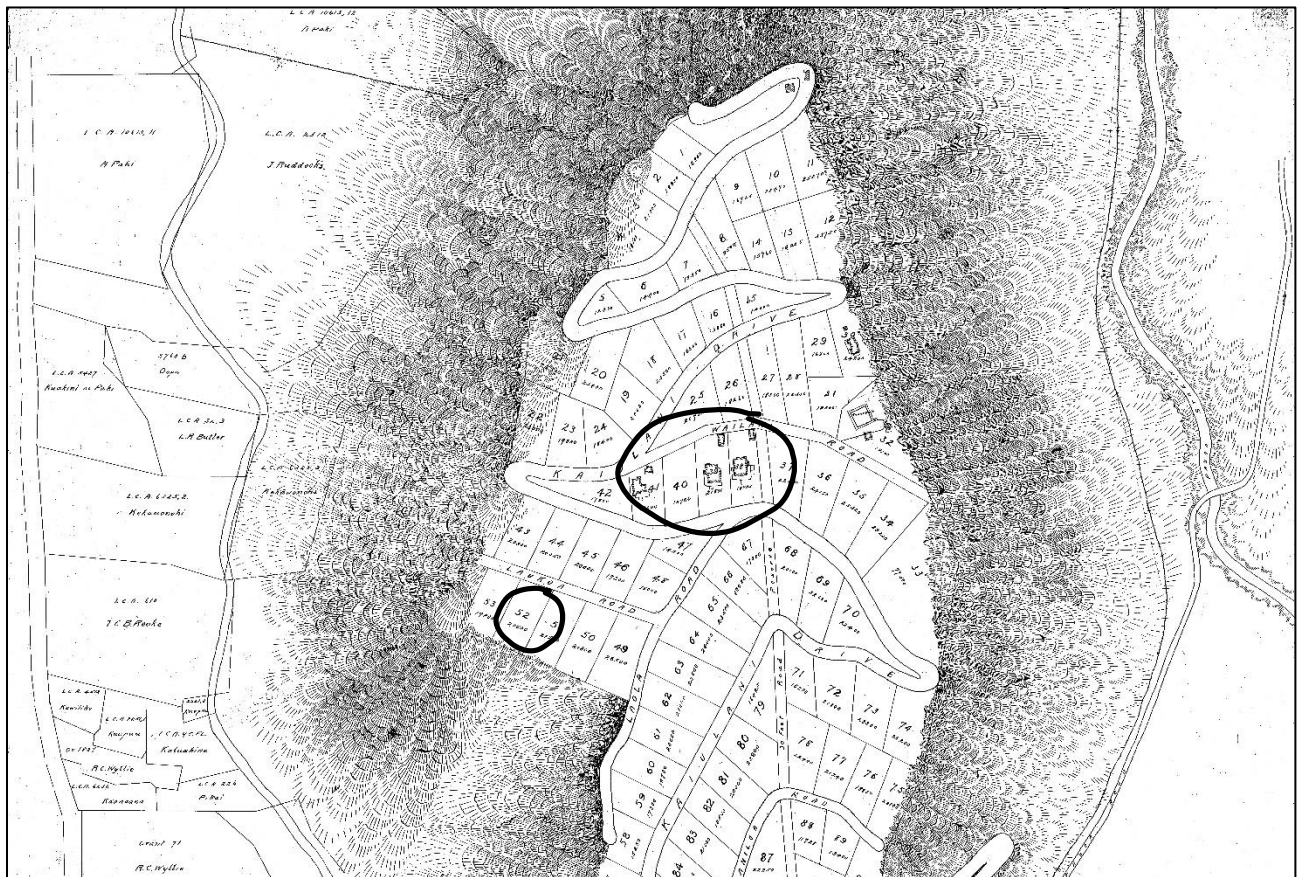


Figure 2 - Closeup of 1899 Map of Pacific Heights, with portion of lower Nu'uuanu Valley to the left; subject property located within area circled on map. A cluster of the first group of houses (on Lots #38 and #39, and Lot #41) built on Pacific Heights is circled to the upper-right of Lot #52.

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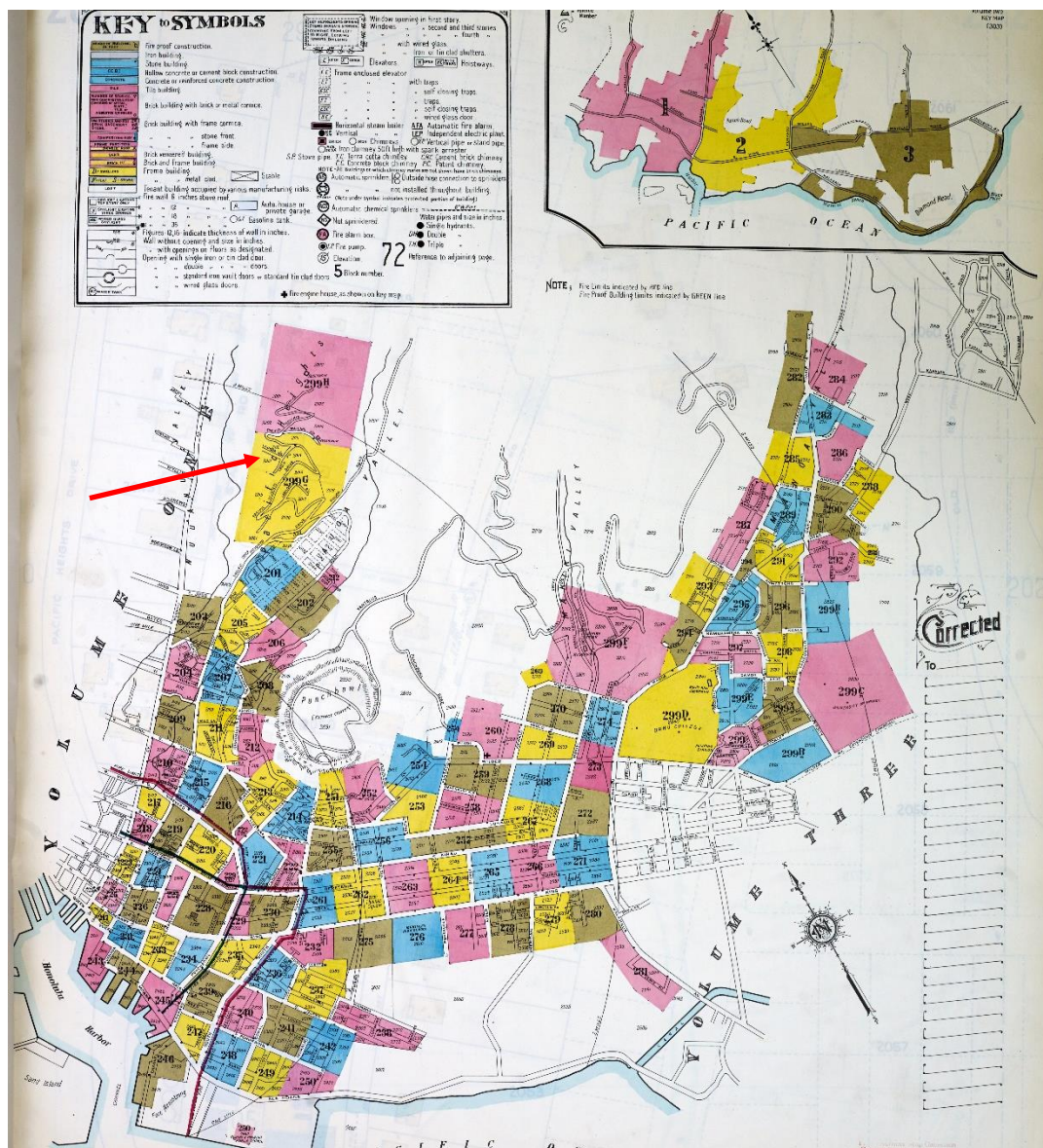


Figure 3 – 1927 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map, Pacific Heights is within sections 299G & 299H; arrow pointing to area of subject property.



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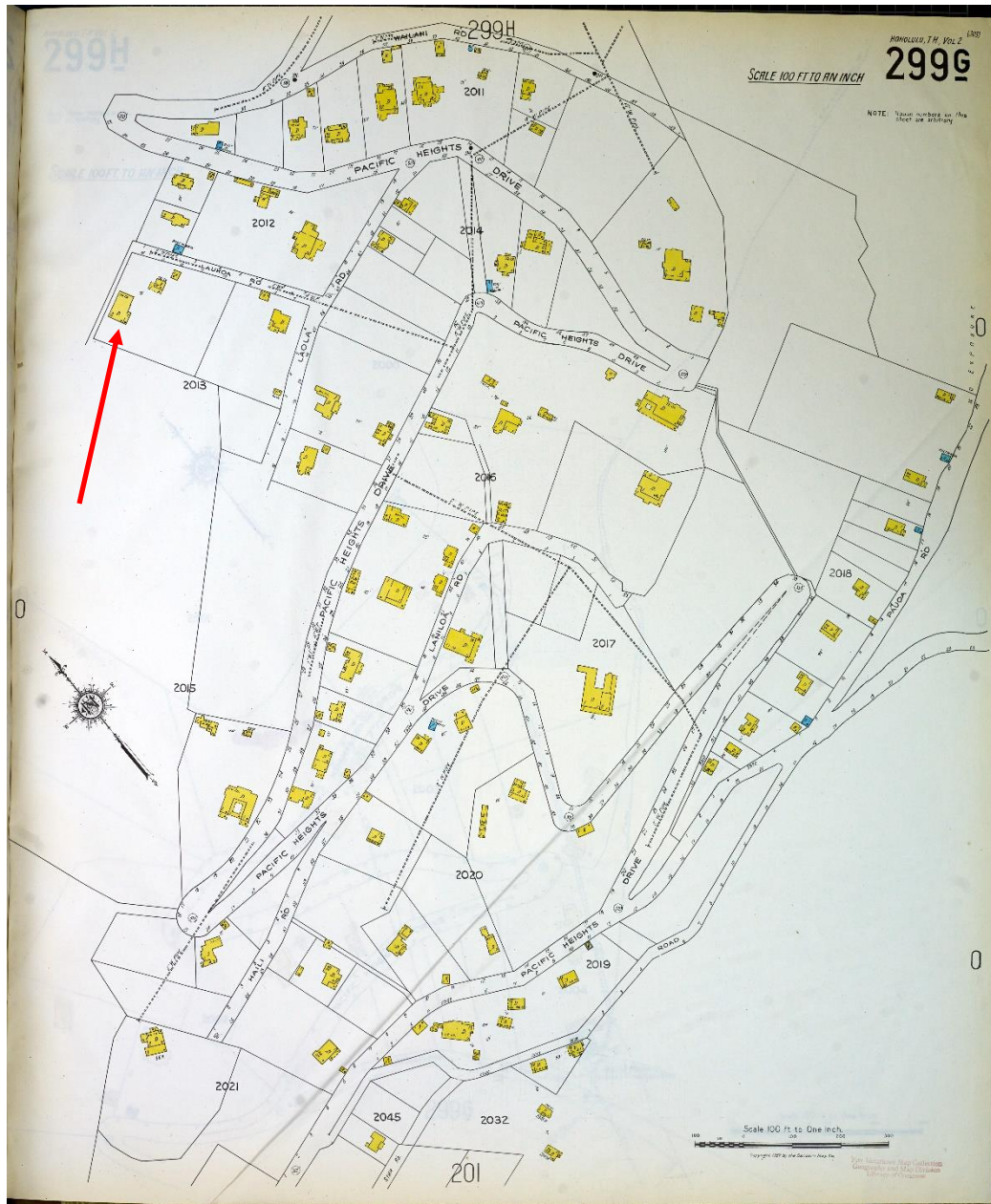


Figure 4 – 1927 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map showing a reconfiguration of the original lots of 1899; arrow is pointing to main house of subject property.

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**WE INVITE INSPECTION Pacific Heights**

Residence lots on Pacific Heights are now offered for sale. No residence property having similar advantages and attractions, as far as healthfulness of location, having an elevation of from 170 to 800 feet, and affording the grandest marine and scenic views, as also its proximity to the business part of the city being less than a mile from the Progress Block, has ever before been presented to the people of Honolulu.

One of the main features of this property, and procured at great expense, is the abundant supply of pure spring water, pronounced by Dr. C. B. Wood as being the purest and best drinking water obtainable in the Island, which is now being conducted into storage reservoirs upon the property by an independent pipe line, and will be supplied to residents at Government rates.

**OUR GUARANTEE.**—We guarantee to all purchasers of lots on Pacific Heights that we will, within six months, provide rapid transportation to the highest lots on the property, connecting the same with the Honolulu Rapid Transit Co.'s line on Pauoa Road at the beginning of Kaiulani Drive.

**TERMS.**—One-third cash,  $\frac{1}{3}$  in one year,  $\frac{1}{3}$  in two years; interest, six per cent per annum on deferred payments.

Our carriage will convey parties desiring to inspect the property to and from the same.

For maps and full particulars, call at our office, rooms 7 and 8, Progress Block

**BRUCE, WARING & CO.**

Figure 5 – First newspaper advertisement announcing the availability of lots for sale in Pacific Heights (“The Hawaiian Star”, 10/7/1899, page 3).

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Figure 6 – Two months later, Desky stopped guaranteeing transportation within six months via a planned electric railway (“The Independent”, 12/15/1899, page 1).

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Figure 7 – By early 1900, this ad mentions “attractive homes now building” (“The Evening Bulletin”, 2/17/1900, page 4).

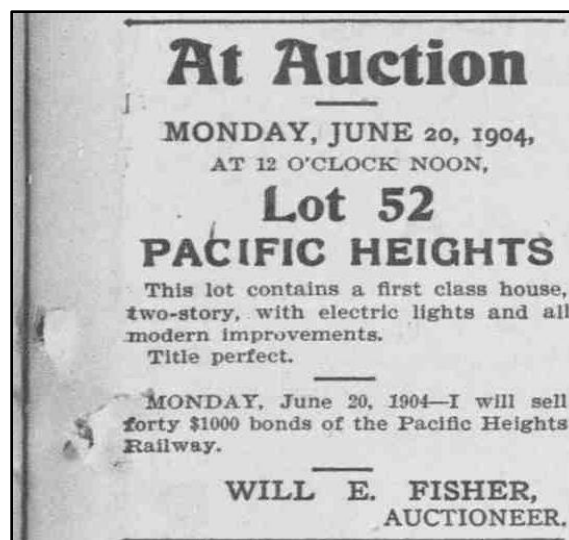


Figure 8 – A description of the house on Lot #52 is given for the first time (“The Pacific Commercial Advertiser”, 6/17/1904, page 8).

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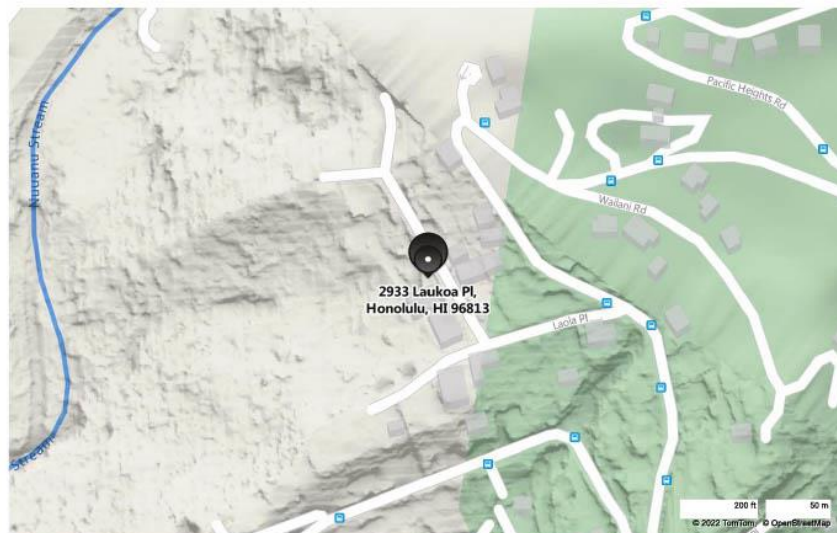


Figure 9 – The latitude/longitude decimal coordinates of the subject property, Bing Map (2023).



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Figure 10 – Subject property circled in black on a USGS Topo Map, 2023.



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Figure 11 - GIS Parcel Map, City & County Property Tax Office.

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Figure 12 – Google Earth photos of entire property (above) and detail showing gambrel roof of main house (below).

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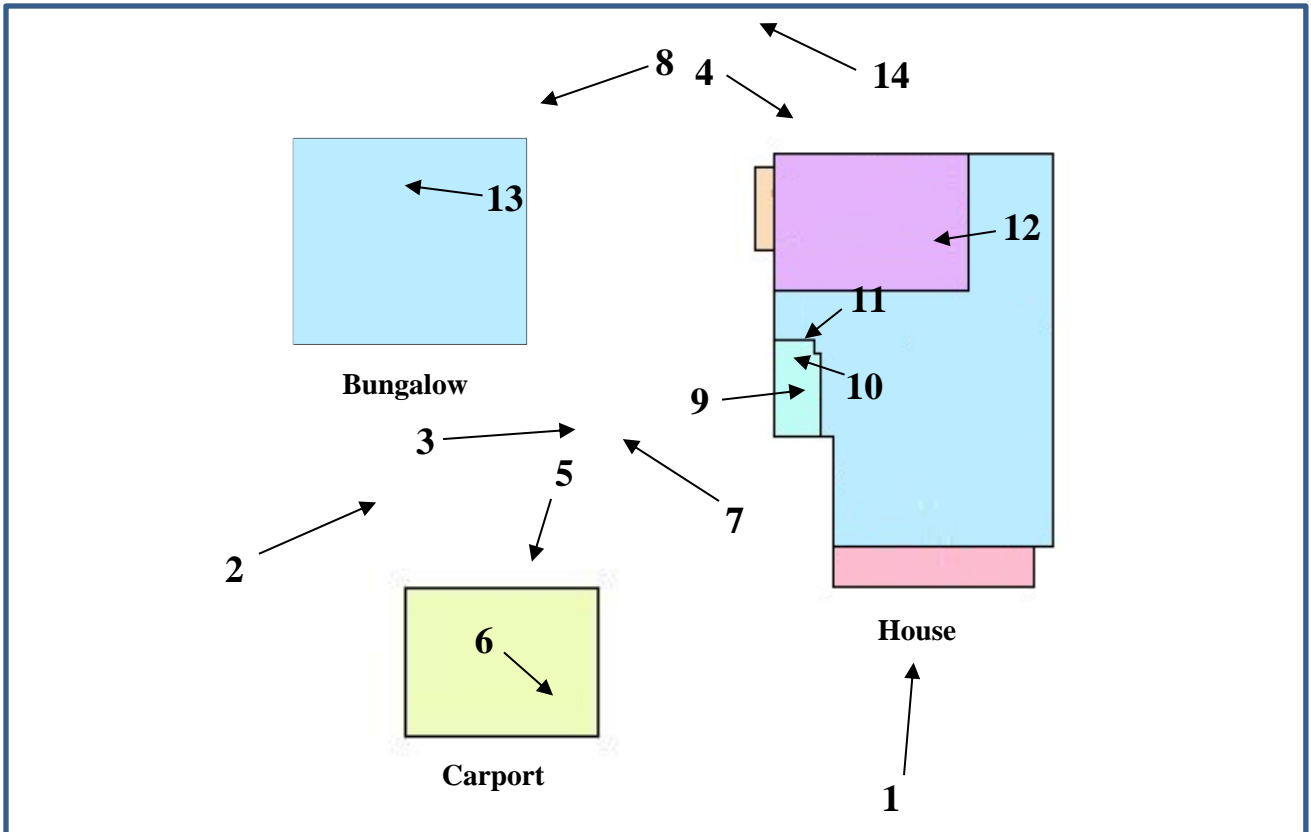


Figure 13 – Sketch Map, with Photo Key (14 photos) showing views.