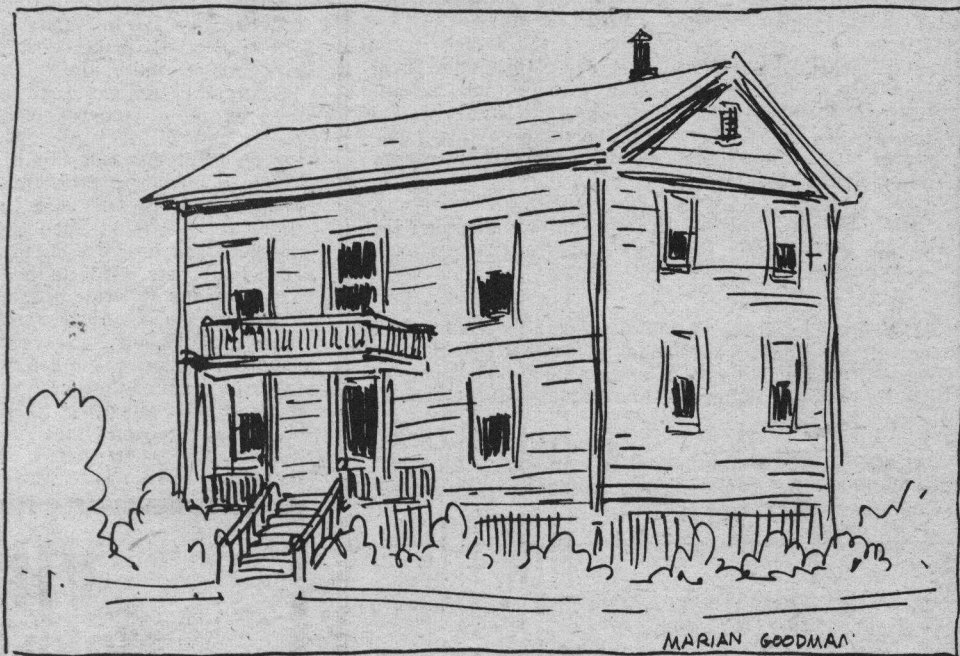


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# DREHER FARM HOUSE

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The name of Colonel Jonathan D. Stevenson seems to pop up in just about every treatise on historical California. He recruited a regiment of soldiers in 1847 and brought them to California. They had been assembled at a point near the southern tip of Manhattan Island (N.Y.) and from there they took the ship Tho-

mas H. Perkins which sailed around the Horn to San Francisco, arriving March 6, 1847.

Since the regiment members were all discharged later in this state they were on hand when gold was discovered in 1848. Many of the volunteers deserted and went to the mines. But one who stayed and did garrison duty until

his discharge was a young 33-year-old New Yorker named John Dryer. The name was a mistake on the books. It was supposed to be Dreher.

John Dreher came to Santa Cruz in 1849 and bought a farm of 11 acres in what is now the heart of downtown. His farm was bounded by the present

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