

Woolaver & Wilkinson – Designers of Original CP Shops

John Woolaver

Harvard/Radcliffe Online Historical Reference Shelf

Cambridge Buildings and Architects

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<http://hul.harvard.edu/huarc/refshelf/cba/o.html>

OAK STREET through street 1847

•15-17 (Oakland st 15) house 2-st 1849

1849 dwelling contract: Colla to build *deed 550,150* mid 5 48'es ct nr cragie n: dh;

(a) Woolaver J (o) Waite Chas with (b) Colla Silas M

[(a) believed to signify architect; (o) owner; (b) builder]

Following are the names of Pioneers who sailed from the Island of Nantucket In '49 for California:

<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~nmpmelton/argosea3.htm>

Ship Oxnard sailed June 23d:

. . . . Jn. Woolaver

Historical Articles of Solano County

Sunday, July 12, 1998

Kristin Delaplane

Steamers, trains provide Solano transportation

http://www.solanoarticles.com/history/index.php/weblog2/print/steamers_trains_provide_solano_transportation/

John Woolaver, who in 1864 was named Solano County's surveyor and architect, died in Sacramento at age 52. (what year died, and when was he born?)

Historical Articles of Solano County

Sunday, January 18, 1998

Life in 1860s flows along on land and water

Kristin Delaplane

Schoolchildren give for memorial

http://www.solanoarticles.com/history/index.php/weblog2/more/life_in_1860s_flows_along_on_land_and_water/

In 1866, the county offices were held by the following people: County surveyor, John Woolaver

February 1, 1998

Buildings turn into dwellings and barrooms

Military companies disbanded

Information for this article came from the Solano Press (1866) found in the Solano County Archives.

<http://63.192.157.117/current/Conti/conti020198.html>

The Solano Lodge was building a new hall and county surveyor John Woolaver made two bronze columns for the building.

Members of the Sacramento Pioneer Association

<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~npmelton/argosac.htm>

John Woolaver

T. H. Wilkinson

ANNUAL RECORD OF MARRIAGES, BIRTHS, DEATHS & DIVORCES In Sacramento City and County During the Year 1864

<http://archiver.rootsweb.com/th/read/CASACRAM/2006-03/1141924895>

Sacramento Daily Union, Monday, January 2, 1865, Page 6

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS

The following is a list of the births, marriages and deaths that have taken place in Sacramento during 1864, as nearly as can be compiled from authentic sources:

July 14-John WOOLAVER and Mary C. FLIGGLE

ANNUAL RECORD OF MARRIAGES, BIRTHS, DEATHS & DIVORCES In Sacramento City and County During the Year 1868

<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~npmelton/sacmd68.htm>

SACRAMENTO DAILY UNION, Friday, January 1, 1869, Page 6

BIRTHS

July 12 - Wife of John WOOLAVER, of a daughter

Joseph R. Wilkinson

HENRY ROOT Surveyor, Engineer and Inventor, Personal History and Reminiscences with Personal Opinions on Contemporary Events 1845-1921. Printed for Private Circulation San Francisco, California, 1921

http://www.cpr.org/Museum/Henry_Root_1921.html

CHAPTER 2. WORK ON THE MOUNTAINS AND PLAINS FOR THE CENTRAL PACIFIC RAILROAD.

On May 2, 1866, I commenced work for Mr. S. S. Montague, Acting Chief Engineer of the Central Pacific Railroad, being assigned to help J. R. Wilkinson around Sacramento and up the line as far as Rocklin. . . . S. S. Montague, Acting Chief Engineer of the Central Pacific Railroad, the original California corporation, was in control of all engineering work. His office was upstairs at 54 K Street, Sacramento, but he went wherever necessary to supervise the business under his control. A. Steiner was Chief Draftsman and J. R. Wilkinson, also a fine draftsman, was in charge of the local work within easy reach of Sacramento.

Some of the events I find recorded in my remembrancer of the year 1866 are as follows:
Thursday, September 10th. Went with J. R. Wilkinson up to the new depot grounds at Cisco to help him locate a section corner of the U. S. Land Survey. Wilkinson came from Sacramento to our camp on the 10th on the stage, and will return in a day or two.

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DEATHS

December 23 - Mrs. Ellen WILKINSON, Ohio, 39 years (related?)

Mining & Scientific Press, July 31, 1869

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Sacramento Union, June 29, 1880

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Directory of American Cement Industries and Hand-book for Cement Users

By Charles Carroll, Published by the Municipal Engineering Company, Indianapolis and New York, 1901, pg 525.

[http://books.google.com/books?id=Zn-8ZWaNQfoC&pg=RA3-PA525&lpg=RA3-](http://books.google.com/books?id=Zn-8ZWaNQfoC&pg=RA3-PA525&lpg=RA3-PA525&dq=jr+wilkinson+sacramento&source=web&ots=IYsNI_pvkl&sig=tz_8mWh1dgzCOsrYhjhAkLYf0Ak#PRA3-PA524,M1)

[PA525&dq=jr+wilkinson+sacramento&source=web&ots=IYsNI_pvkl&sig=tz_8mWh1dgzCOsrYhjhAkLYf0Ak#PRA3-PA524,M1](http://books.google.com/books?id=Zn-8ZWaNQfoC&pg=RA3-PA525&lpg=RA3-PA525&dq=jr+wilkinson+sacramento&source=web&ots=IYsNI_pvkl&sig=tz_8mWh1dgzCOsrYhjhAkLYf0Ak#PRA3-PA524,M1)

Under engineers, Architects and other Supervisors of the Use of Cement:

J. R. Wilkinson listed at 4th and Townsend Streets in San Francisco (likely SP Offices).

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Central Pacific Railroad Photographic History Museum
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