

OREGON CITY HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM

Street Address: 1214 WASHINGTON ST				City: OREGON CITY			
USGS Quad Name: Oregon City			GPS	Latitude: 45 21 37 N		Longitude: 122 36 02 W	
Township: 02S	Range: 02E	Section: 31	Block: 69	Lot: 1, 2, 7, 8	Map #: 22E31AA	Tax Lot #: 2000	
Date of Construction: 1892		Historic Name: Babcock, Charles and Hattie, House			Historic Use or Function: Domestic - single dwelling		
Grouping or Cluster Name: NA		*Current Name or Use: Domestic - single dwelling			Associated Archaeological Site: Unknown		
Architectural Classification(s): Queen Anne			Plan Type/Shape: Complex			Number of Stories: 2.0	
Foundation Material: Stone			Structural Framing: Unknown			Moved? No	
Roof Type/Material: Gable / Composition shingle			Window Type/Material: 1/1 wood double-hung				
Exterior Surface Materials Primary: Drop			Secondary: Wood shingle			Decorative:	
Exterior Alterations or Additions/Approximate Date:							
Number and Type of Associated Resources: Small shed-like building on north property line (1)							
Integrity: Good		Condition: Good		Local Ranking: Designated Historic Site		National Register Listed? Yes	
Potentially Eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> Individually or <input type="checkbox"/> As a contributing resource in a district Not Eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> Intact but lacks distinction <input type="checkbox"/> Altered (choose one): <input type="checkbox"/> Reversible/Potentially eligible individually or in district <input type="checkbox"/> Reversible/Ineligible as it lacks distinction <input type="checkbox"/> Irretrievable loss of integrity <input type="checkbox"/> Not 50 years old							
							
Description of Physical and Landscape Features:							
<p>This two story house sits under a cross gable roof with a porch running nearly the full width of the west façade. The porch is covered by a gable over the entry with a low shed roof running to the north from this gable. The porch roof is supported by turned columns with a low turned balustrade running between them. The house is primarily clad with drop siding, finished with cornerboards, above the stone foundation. The gables are pedimented and feature enclosed eaves above frieze boards with molding at the eave. The gable ends feature battered wood shingles beneath a decorative bull's-eye pattern frieze in the gable end. The porch gable is also pedimented and is completely covered with the bull's-eye ornament in a grid pattern. The west gable features a rectangular second floor cantilevered over an octagonal bay at the first floor level with scrollwork brackets supporting the cantilever. The northern gable covers a two story octagonal bay with a large brick chimney set just to the west of the bay. The windows are all 1/1 double-hung wood sash with plain board surrounds and projecting hood moldings at the first floor level. The second floor window heads are trimmed by the frieze board. This house is individually listed on the National Register.</p>							
Statement of Significance:							
<p>S.D. and Elizabeth Francis sold lots 1 and 2 of this block to Charles Babcock in 1877. Charles Babcock was an Oregon City official from 1890 to 1918, serving as city treasurer, city assessor, city collector, and as street superintendent. His wife, Hattie McCarver Babcock, was a granddaughter of General Morton McCarver. In 1918, Mr. Babcock retired from public life and worked at Crown-Willamette paper mills until his sudden death in 1921. He was a founding member of both the Oregon City Elks Lodge in 1910 and the Commercial Club, with its auxiliary, "The Live Wires". From 1882 to 1892, the property was transferred a number of times, before being purchased by Charles and Hattie Babcock. The couple retained the property until 1942, when it was sold to Tom Myers, who in turn sold to Gertrude Mount. In 1946, the property was sold to William Stokes, a steward for the Elks Club, and his wife Martha, a seamstress at Oregon City Hospital. In 1952, a deed recorded to Marvin Hughes, a carpenter, and his wife, Fern. This property was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1982.</p>							

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