

OREGON CITY HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM

Street Address: 511 6TH ST				City: OREGON CITY			
USGS Quad Name: Oregon City			GPS Latitude: 45 21 21 N		Longitude: 122 36 22 W		
Township: 02S	Range: 02E	Section: 31	Block: 54	Lot: 3x, 4x	Map #: 22E31AC	Tax Lot #: 800	
Date of Construction: c. 1883		Historic Name: Marrs, W.W. and Mary, House			Historic Use or Function: Domestic - single dwelling		
Grouping or Cluster Name: NA		*Current Name or Use: Commerce - service			Associated Archaeological Site: Unknown		
Architectural Classification(s): Front gable and wing				Plan Type/Shape: T-shaped		Number of Stories: 1.5	
Foundation Material: Concrete				Structural Framing: Unknown		Moved? No	
Roof Type/Material: Gable / Composition shingle				Window Type/Material: 1/1 wood double-hung; fixed; casement			
Exterior Surface Materials Primary: Drop		Secondary:		Decorative:			
Exterior Alterations or Additions/Approximate Date: Concrete block foundation at porch; west windows altered							
Number and Type of Associated Resources: None							
Integrity: Good		Condition: Good		Local Ranking: Designated Historic Site		National Register Listed? No	
Potentially Eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> Individually or <input checked="" 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:							
This house has a T-shaped plan, with a 1 1/2 story wing on the west end of the house and a one story wing to the east. Both wings are covered by gable roofs with enclosed eaves and wide frieze and rake boards. The east wing has a recessed porch on the south side, where the eave supported by large square columns. A solid balustrade runs between the columns, enclosing the porch. The balustrade, like the rest of the house, is clad with drop siding finished with cornerboards above a fully developed water table. The windows are primarily 1/1 double-hung with sash, and some windows have been altered. At the first floor level under the porch, a set of three wood sash casements has replaced an early window, as has a fixed sash on the south side of the west wing. On the west side of the house, the two first floor windows have been reduced in height as the sills were raised. The windows typically feature plain board trim. An internal chimney is centered on the east wing which has been parapeted above the roof line.							
Statement of Significance:							
In 1883, while living in Gladstone, W. W. and Mary Marrs bought this property and proceeded to construct their residence. Mary was born in Iowa in 1886 and Johnson Creek in Columbia County was named for her father. The couple was active in the First Baptist Church and Mrs. Marrs was a member of the Women's Union. Mr. Marrs was a machinist and trustee of the church. He was working as a janitor at the Barclay School prior to his death. In 1920, the couple sold the house to W. A. Rains in 1920, who deeded it the following year to Floyd Graves. Over the next 15 years, the property was transferred several times within the Grave family before being lost to the First National Bank of Oregon. In 1947, the house was deeded to Blanche Peckover, who took up immediate residency. For a time in the early 1950s, she was joined by her son Jerry, a student at Lewis and Clark College, and his wife Delores, who did office work at the Pantorium Cleaners. Mrs. Peckover continued to own and occupy this residence until 1964.							

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