

OREGON CITY HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM

Street Address: 705 9TH ST				City: OREGON CITY	
USGS Quad Name: Oregon City		GPS Latitude: 45 21 27 N		Longitude: 122 36 09 W	
Township: 02S	Range: 02E	Section: 31	Block: 99	Lot: 5	Map #: 22E31AA Tax Lot #: 9300
Date of Construction: c. 1896		Historic Name: Dresser, Algernon and Charlotte, 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 / Vernacular			Plan Type/Shape: Complex		Number of Stories: 2.0
Foundation Material: Concrete			Structural Framing: Unknown		Moved? No
Roof Type/Material: Gable / Composition shingle			Window Type/Material: 1/1 wood double-hung		
Exterior Surface Materials Primary: Asbestos shingle			Secondary:		Decorative:
Exterior Alterations or Additions/Approximate Date: One-story cross gable wing, c.1911; porch extended to wrap around, c.1915; partial porch infill; add of side entry hood and railing; replacement shingle siding; new front porch steps, railing and trellis					
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 two story Vernacular residence has a complex plan that rests on a raised, poured concrete foundation. Its gable roof is covered with composition shingles and is pierced by an interior chimney. Windows are primarily wood 1/1 single and double-hung, paired on a continuous sill. The house is sided with composition shingles and features a wrap around porch, with square, capped posts on a closed rail. Decorative features include exposed rafter tails, brackets, the slightly projecting bay on the upper floor, and a narrow rake molding. Alterations include a c.1911 single story gable wing; a c.1915 porch extension; a partial porch infill, complete with windows; replacement siding; new railings on both the front and side entries; and the trellis work on the front porch.					
Statement of Significance:					
Algernon S. Dresser was born in 1858 in Maine. He taught school in Maine, and then studied law, passing the Maine bar in 1885. He arrived in Oregon in 1886, and in Oregon City in 1888 where he went into law partnership with W.T.A. McBride. Later, he was a law partner with George Brownell for three years, and then practiced alone. In 1900, he served as a joint representative of Multnomah and Clackamas Counties in the Oregon State Legislature. His wife Charlotte was born in 1863 in California. They did not by their mid-thirties in 1900 have any children. Dresser sold the house in 1905 to R.W. Brown, who again sold the property in 1912 to F. Elmer Albright. Albright was part owner of Jack & Albright, grocers at 911 7th Street. Albright owned the house into the early 1940s, selling in 1941 to Lawrence Heintz, a draftsman. By 1944 Heintz had sold the house to Ralph Niles and his wife Lucille. Both Ralph and Lucille Niles worked for CWF & Son, and lived in the house for only a few years even though they owned it through the remainder of the historic period. By 1953 the property was used as a 3 unit apartment building, and it continued as a 3 or 4 unit rental through the 1960s.					

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