

OREGON CITY HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM

Street Address: 920 CENTER ST				City: OREGON CITY	
USGS Quad Name: Oregon City		GPS Latitude: 45 21 32 N		Longitude: 122 36 13 W	
Township: 02S	Range: 02E	Section: 31	Block: 51	Lot: 8, 1	Map #: 22E31AA Tax Lot #: 10700
Date of Construction: 1916		Historic Name: Welsh, Dr. Oral, 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): Craftsman			Plan Type/Shape: Square		Number of Stories: 2.0
Foundation Material: Concrete			Structural Framing: Unknown		Moved? No
Roof Type/Material: Gable / Composition shingle			Window Type/Material: 9/1, 8/1 and 6/1 wood double-hung		
Exterior Surface Materials Primary: Round-edge drop			Secondary:		Decorative:
Exterior Alterations or Additions/Approximate Date: Shutters.					
Number and Type of Associated Resources: Garage to south (1)					
Integrity: Excellent		Condition: Excellent		Local Ranking: Designated Historic Site	National Register Listed? No
Potentially Eligible: <input checked="" 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:					
This two story Craftsman house with Bungalow detailing has a square plan and sits on a concrete block foundation. The gable roof is covered in composition shingles with exposed rafter tails, decorative brackets and a wide rake board. It is pierced by gabled roof dormers and a chimney. The house is covered with bevel siding. Decorative shutters flank the windows on the front (west) façade. Windows on the first floor are fixed-pane with ribbon transoms and 9/1 sidelights, 8/1 wood double-hung on the second floor and 6/1 on the upper floor. The dormers have 6-pane ribbon windows. A square bay on the south façade is covered with a gable roof. The entry porch wraps around the side (north) façade of the house. Battered columns support the gable roof with decorative rake board and brackets. The porch is encircled with an open rail.					
Statement of Significance:					
In 1911, Ann Howell sold lots 7 and 7 of Block 51 to E.C. Hackett. E.C. Hackett and his wife sold the property in 1915 to Melissa A. Beston. She sold Lot 8 to Oral E. Welsh, et al. in 1916. The house was constructed in 1916, presumably by the Welshes. Oral Welsh, physician and surgeon, was the Clackamas County health officer in 1916. The Welshes sold the house in 1942 to Lloyd Edison and Catherine M. Toal. The 1947 City Directory indicates the residence was owned by Fred Toal, employed by the M-W Company. The Toals sold it in 1948 to Robert A., city manager of Oregon City, and Mildred Finlamson. The Finlamsons owned it until 1957 when they sold it to Harry F., furniture salesman at Friedrich's, and Phyllis Gehring. The Gehrings owned the house through the rest of the historic period.					

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