

OREGON CITY HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM

Street Address: 301-301 1/2 MONROE ST				City: OREGON CITY	
USGS Quad Name: Oregon City			GPS Latitude: 45 21 07 N		Longitude: 122 36 17 W
Township: 02S	Range: 02E	Section: 31	Block: 133	Lot: 4	Map #: 22E31DA Tax Lot #: 5000
Date of Construction: c. 1900		Historic Name: Michels, Matthias and Margaret, Rental		Historic Use or Function: Domestic - single dwelling	
Grouping or Cluster Name: NA		*Current Name or Use: Domestic - multiple dwelling		Associated Archaeological Site: Unknown	
Architectural Classification(s): Vernacular			Plan Type/Shape: Square		Number of Stories: 1.0
Foundation Material: Concrete block			Structural Framing: Unknown		Moved? No
Roof Type/Material: Truncated hip / Composition shingle			Window Type/Material: 1/1 wood double-hung		
Exterior Surface Materials Primary: Channel drop			Secondary:		Decorative:
Exterior Alterations or Additions/Approximate Date: Encircling porch may be later addition: Basement apartment added.					
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:					
<p>This simple c.1900 vernacular multi-unit residence is square in plan with a hip roofline. A wide frieze board is present on all elevations below the roofline. The main elevation has a full width front porch with a low pitched hip roof supported by truncated, tapered porch posts and a solid knee rail. The front entrance has an original transom window above a compatible, non-historic main door. The windows are typically 1/1 wood double hung with a decorative molding trim above and an elaborate apron below the window sill. Alterations include an entrance to the basement level apartment.</p>					
Statement of Significance:					
<p>Matthias Michels was a German immigrant and laborer in the Crown Willamette Paper Mill. He and his wife Margaret are the original owners of this residence, which was constructed sometime after 1900. The Michels held the property until their estate sold it in 1934. There is a gap in records until 1942 when the sheriff sold the house to Clackamas County. Francis and Virginia Durning then held ownership from 1943 to 1951. George R. Coover, who was employed by the Publishers Paper Company, bought the house in 1951 and had converted it into a duplex. By 1960, he and his wife Mary were occupying 301-1/2 Monroe and renting out the other unit.</p>					

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