

OREGON INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES  
HISTORIC RESOURCE INVENTORY FORM

HISTORIC NAME: S. Johnson House DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: c. 1899  
COMMON NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ORIGINAL USE: Residence  
ADDRESS: 144 Molalla Avenue PRESENT USE: Residence  
OWNER: Floyd and Merry Penna, 25770 S. Morgan ARCH./BLDR.: Unknown  
Road, Estacada, OR 97023 STYLE: Vernacular  
T/R/S: 2-2E-32CB TAX LOT: 5800 BLDG. STRUC. DIST. SITE OBJ. (CIRCLE)  
ADDITION: Holmes Addition THEME: Architecture, 19th Century  
LOT: Pt. 1 BLOCK: 9 QUAD: Oregon City

PLAN TYPE/SHAPE: Rectangular NO. OF STORIES: 2 1/2  
FOUNDATION MATERIAL: Concrete block BASEMENT (Y/N): No  
ROOF FORM & MATERIALS: Cross-gable. Composition.  
WALL CONSTRUCTION: Wood STRUCTURAL FRAME: Stud  
PRIMARY WINDOW TYPE: One-over-one d/h with cornices, wide trim. Two fixed windows in front  
SURFACING MATERIALS: Bevel siding.  
DECORATIVE FEATURES: Fishscale shingles in gable ends. Shed-roof porch has scroll  
OTHER: brackets, square posts and scroll-cut molding at frieze. 1 1/2 story addition.  
CONDITION: EXCELLENT \_\_\_\_\_ GOOD \_\_\_\_\_ FAIR X DETERIORATED \_\_\_\_\_ MOVED \_\_\_\_\_ (date)  
EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS (dated): Two windows in front replaced with fixed glass, n.d. One and one-half story addition in rear, probably in 1920's.  
NOTEWORTHY LANDSCAPE FEATURES: Profuse mature landscaping, buffering house from street.  
ASSOCIATED STRUCTURES: Flat roof outbuilding in rear on north  
KNOWN ARCHAEOLOGICAL FEATURES: None.

GEOGRAPHIC SETTING: Occupies quite a large (.41 acre) lot on heavily traveled, commercial Molalla Avenue. The house is well set-back from the highway, which does help to preserve its residential character. The house is surrounded by commercial development, and nearby are some apartment developments. Other nearby landmark is at 151 Molalla Avenue.  
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: (Historical and/or architectural importance, dates, events, persons, contexts): No biographical information was found on S. Johnson, the house's original owner. The house is certainly significant for its age, having survived the trauma of commercial redevelopment on Molalla Avenue. The house has also retained remarkable integrity of form, materials and detailing.

SOURCES: Pioneer National Title Company Records, Oregon City. Clackamas County Tax Rolls, 1901. Sanborn Insurance Map, 1911. 1914 Water Bureau Records.

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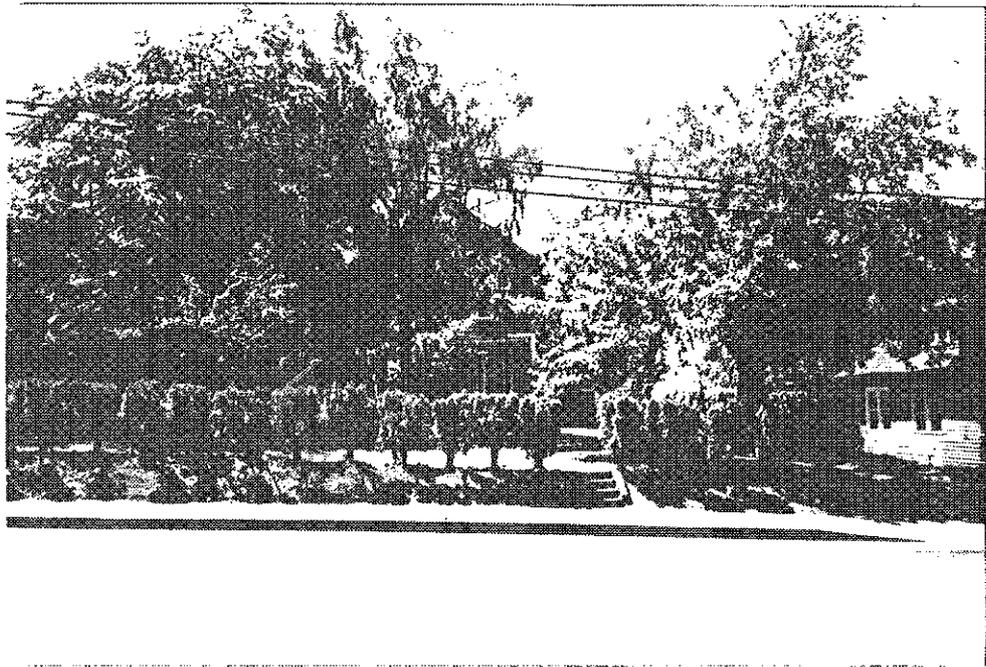
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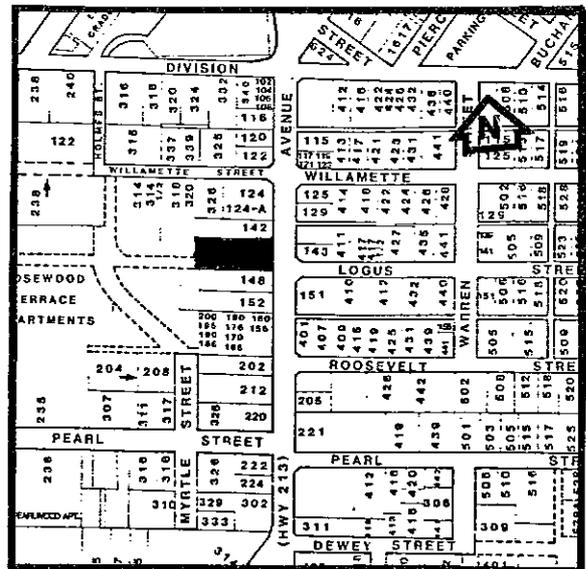
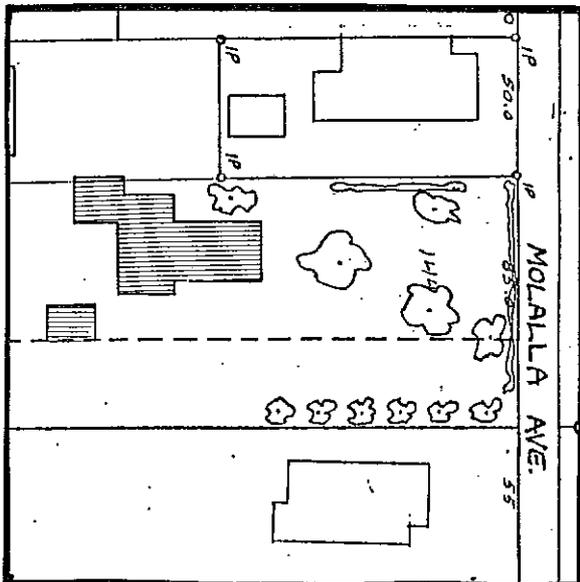


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