

**OREGON CITY  
PARK PLACE NEIGHBORHOOD  
HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY 1990**

<b>HISTORIC NAME:</b>	Holmes, William and Cora, House
<b>COMMON NAME:</b>	
<b>PROPERTY ADDRESS:</b>	15921 S. Apperson Boulevard
<b>OWNER:</b>	Orville & Cecilia Baxter
<b>OWNER'S ADDRESS:</b>	15921 S. Apperson Boulevard, Oregon City
<b>RESOURCE TYPE:</b>	Building
<b>PRESENT USE:</b>	Residential
<b>THEME:</b>	Culture
<b>ARCHITECT/BUILDER:</b>	Unknown
<b>COUNTY:</b>	Clackamas
<b>QUAD:</b>	Gladstone
<b>T/R/S:</b>	2-2E-20DD
<b>TAX LOT:</b>	1501
<b>ADDITION</b>	Park Place
<b>BLOCK:</b>	2
<b>LOT:</b>	4, 5
<b>LOT SIZE:</b>	.27 acre
<b>ZONE:</b>	RD-4 Two-Family Residential

**HOUSE**

<b>DATE BUILT:</b>	c 1900
<b>STYLE:</b>	Vernacular
<b>PLAN TYPE/SHAPE:</b>	Asymmetrical
<b>NO. OF STORIES:</b>	1½
<b>FOUNDATION MATERIAL:</b>	Concrete
<b>BASEMENT:</b>	Yes
<b>ROOF FORM AND MATERIALS:</b>	Gable w/composition shingles
<b>WALL CONSTRUCTION/STRUCTURAL FRAME:</b>	Wood/stud
<b>PRIMARY WINDOW TYPE:</b>	Double-hung sash, some in pairs
<b>EXTERIOR SURFACING MATERIALS:</b>	Wide shiplap, corner boards; rake boards
<b>DECORATIVE FEATURES:</b>	Turned posts, jig sawn brackets, ornate door, patterned shingles, stickwork
<b>OTHER:</b>	Recessed partial porch; enclosed corner porch, w. elev.; hipped ell, w. elev.; two interior chimneys
<b>CONDITION:</b>	Good
<b>EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS (DATE):</b>	Porch enclosed, w. elev., (n.d.)
<b>NOTEWORTHY LANDSCAPE FEATURES:</b>	Grapes, fruit trees, oaks, garden

**NON-CONTRIBUTING FEATURES:**

None

**SETTING:** On the east side of Apperson on a large level lot. Houses in the area date from the late 19th Century through the 20th Century. The parcel is landscaped with grapes, fruit trees and a garden. Mature oaks are also present.

**RECORDED BY:** Koler/Morrison

**DATE:** August 1990

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## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

**ADDRESS:** 15921 Apperson

**HISTORIC NAME:** Holmes, William and Cora, House

Cora Holmes purchased the subject property in 1896 and sold it in 1954. William Holmes was the post master and operated the Park Place store for many years.

The Holmes House is an excellent and well preserved example of the Queen Anne Vernacular style, a simplified version of the exuberant Queen Anne style. Salient architectural features include the variety of decorative elements, such as the turned posts, jigsaw brackets, patterned shingles and stickwork. The ornate door, polygonal window bay with flash glass and pendants, and partial returns are other features that contribute to the character of the building. The house has had few alterations. The most noticeable is the enclosure of the rear porch, a common alteration even during the historic period. The current owners, Orville Baxter, indicates a portion of the rear of the house was added after the house was constructed.

The landscape features and a small shed, located behind the house, also contributed to the historic character of the property. Landscape features include the mature nut trees in the front yard and the apple tree in the side yard.

**Sources:** Baxter, Orville. Interview w/ Mathilda Schwann. July 1990.  
Clackamas County Cultural Resource Inventory, 1984.  
Clackamas County Directory, 1916-1917.  
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**SHED**

**DATE BUILT:** Unknown  
**STYLE:** Vernacular  
**PLAN TYPE/SHAPE:** Rectangular  
**NO. OF STORIES:** 1  
**FOUNDATION MATERIAL:** Concrete  
**BASEMENT:** No  
**ROOF FORM AND MATERIALS:** Gable w/ composition shingles  
**WALL CONSTRUCTION/STRUCTURAL FRAME:** Wood/stud  
**PRIMARY WINDOW TYPE:** Fixed multi-light  
**EXTERIOR SURFACING MATERIALS:** Wood siding  
**DECORATIVE FEATURES:** None  
**OTHER:** Overhead sliding door, w. elev.  
  
**CONDITION:** Good  
  
**EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS (DATE):** Door replaced, e. elev., (n.d.)  
  
**NOTEWORTHY LANDSCAPE FEATURES:** Grapes, fruit trees, oaks, garden  
  
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