

OREGON INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES
HISTORIC RESOURCE INVENTORY FORM

HISTORIC NAME: Captain James Wilson House

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: c. 1868

COMMON NAME: _____

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

ADDRESS: 604 S. McLoughlin Boulevard

PRESENT USE: Store

OWNER: John Morton, 608 S. McLoughlin Blvd.

ARCH./BLDR.: Unknown

STYLE: Gothic Revival

T/R/S: 2-1E-36DD TAX LOT: 4201

BLDG. STRUC. DIST. SITE OBJ. (CIRCLE)

ADDITION: Plat of Canemah

THEME: Architecture, 19th Century;

LOT: 1 BLOCK: 6 QUAD: Oregon City

Steamboat Industry, Canemah

PLAN TYPE/SHAPE: Irregular

NO. OF STORIES: 2

FOUNDATION MATERIAL: Concrete

BASEMENT (Y/N): Yes

ROOF FORM & MATERIALS: Steeply-pitched cross-gable roof. Composition.

WALL CONSTRUCTION: Wood

STRUCTURAL FRAME: Stud

PRIMARY WINDOW TYPE: Multi-pane (6/6) double-hung windows. Simple, wide trim.

SURFACING MATERIALS: Bevel siding.

DECORATIVE FEATURES: Shed-roofed dormer with exposed rafters and multi-light casement

OTHER: windows. One-story addition at rear. Wraparound porch. Chimney.

CONDITION: EXCELLENT _____ GOOD _____ FAIR X DETERIORATED _____ MOVED _____ (date)

EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS (dated): Shed-roof dormer is later addition, n.d. One-story addition at rear, n.d. Wrap-around porch added, c. 1908.

NOTEWORTHY LANDSCAPE FEATURES: None.

ASSOCIATED STRUCTURES: Shed.

KNOWN ARCHAEOLOGICAL FEATURES: None.

GEOGRAPHIC SETTING: Located on South McLoughlin Boulevard, a heavily-traveled State highway. An area of mixed commercial and residential uses.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: (Historical and/or architectural importance, dates, events, persons, contexts): James Wilson, born in France in 1827, was a riverboat captain, pilot and fireman. He arrived in Portland in 1852, and worked in the steamer "Portland" for 3 or 4 years, and then on the "Mary Hassalo" on the Columbia River until 1859. He served on a variety of steamers. From 1880 to 1889 he worked for Ben Holladay's river concerns. The house is significant for its age, style, and possible association with Wilson, a member of the steamboat "elite."

SOURCES: Sanborn Insurance Map, 1900, 1911, 1925. Pioneer National Title Company Records, Oregon City. Clackamas County Tax Rolls, 1900, 1905. "Marine History of the Pacific NW", reprint, Superior Publishing Company, Seattle, 1967. Interviews by Pat Erigero, 1983.

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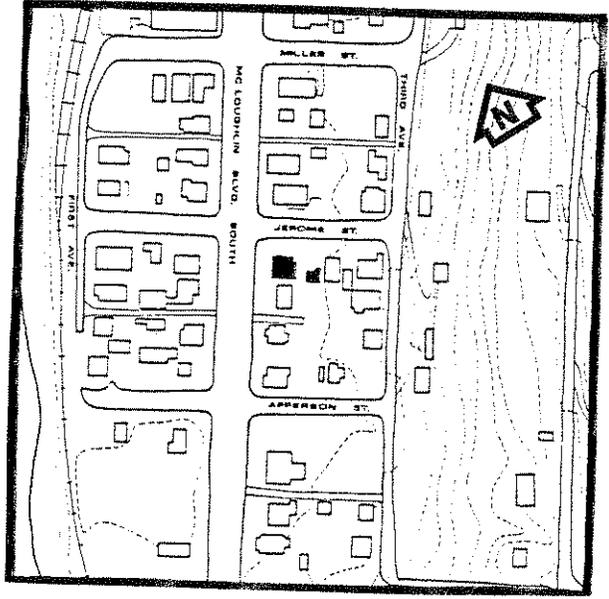
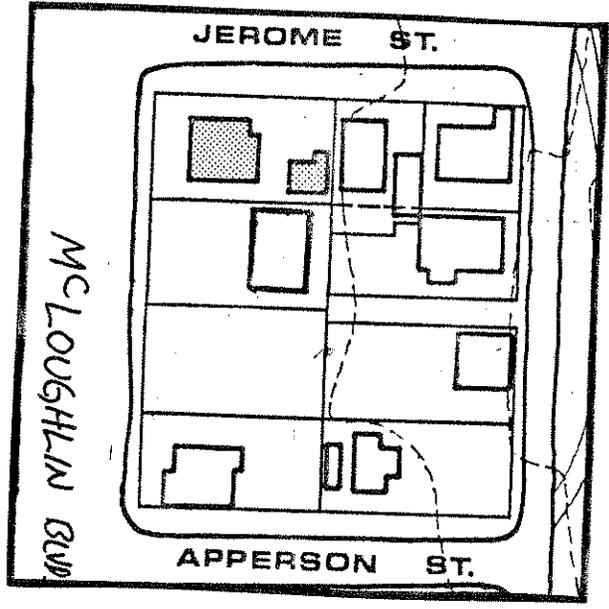
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GRAPHIC AND PHOTO SOURCES: Base Map of Canemah. Oregon City Planning Department Photograph, 1988.

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