

OREGON INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES
HISTORIC RESOURCE INVENTORY FORM

HISTORIC NAME: Anton Wenzel House
COMMON NAME: _____
ADDRESS: 609 Third Avenue
OWNER: Mrs. John Thom, c/o Ron Thom,
111 Ella Street, Oregon City, OR 97045
T/R/S: 2-1E-36DD TAX LOT: 5600
ADDITION: Plat of Canemah
LOT: 6 BLOCK: 6 QUAD: Oregon City

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: c. 1907
ORIGINAL USE: Residence
PRESENT USE: Residence
ARCH./BLDR.: Wenzel (bldr.)
STYLE: Vernacular
BLDG. STRUC. DIST. SITE OBJ. (CIRCLE)
THEME: Architecture, 20th Century

PLAN TYPE/SHAPE: Rectangular
FOUNDATION MATERIAL: Concrete
ROOF FORM & MATERIALS: Gable roof. Pent-roof porch.
WALL CONSTRUCTION: Wood
PRIMARY WINDOW TYPE: Original d/h windows replaced with aluminum windows.
SURFACING MATERIALS: Masonite shingles.
DECORATIVE FEATURES: Porch has some original square posts with ornamental capitals.
OTHER: One-story addition on south. Rear porch.

NO. OF STORIES: 1
BASEMENT (Y/N): Yes

STRUCTURAL FRAME: Stud

CONDITION: EXCELLENT _____ GOOD _____ FAIR _____ DETERIORATED X MOVED _____ (date)
EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS (dated): Masonite shingles, aluminum windows, rear porch altered, all n.d.

NOTEWORTHY LANDSCAPE FEATURES: None.

ASSOCIATED STRUCTURES: None.

KNOWN ARCHAEOLOGICAL FEATURES: None.

GEOGRAPHIC SETTING: Occupies an interior lot of Third Avenue, between Jerome Street and Apperson Street. A residential section of the Canemah District.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: (Historical and/or architectural importance, dates, events, persons, contexts): Anton Wenzel worked for Crown-Willamette Paper Company in West Linn. Every day he would row across the Willamette in a rowboat to work. In his later years with the mills, he worked as a night watchman. After retirement in the 1920's, he sold this house---which he built---to his in-laws, August and Matilda Guenther, and returned to his native Germany. The structure is a typical post-1900 Oregon City Vernacular house. In the NR District, it is classified as a Secondary structure.

SOURCES: Sanborn Insurance Map, 1900, 1911, 1925. Clackamas County Marriage Records, Vol. 1, p. 149. Clackamas County Tax Rolls, 1910. Pioneer National Title Company Records, Oregon City. Interview with August Guenther, by Pat Erigero, 1983.

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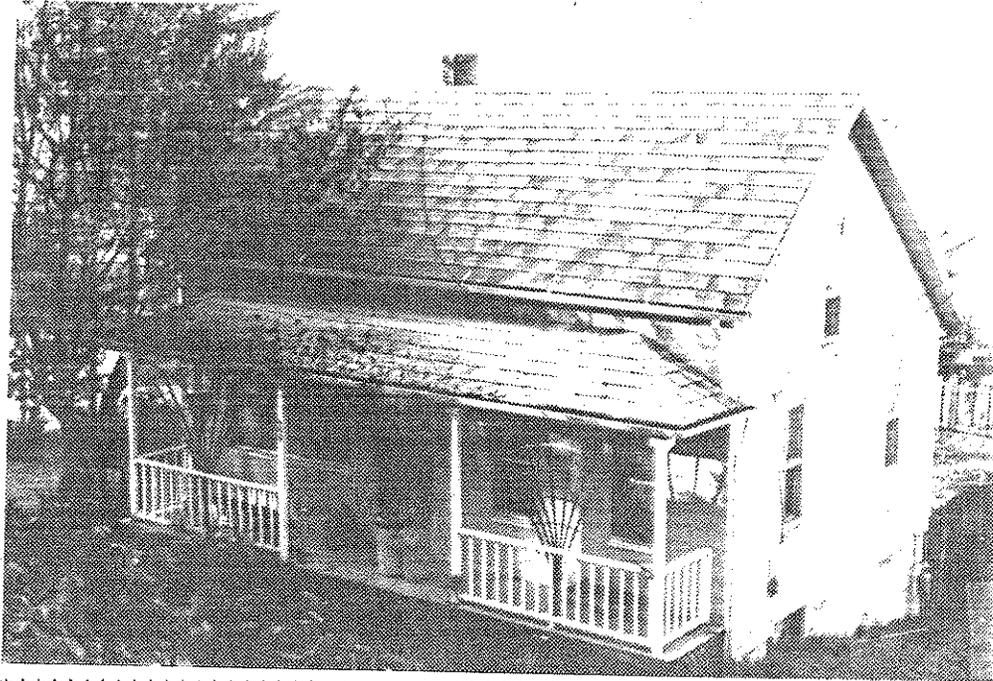
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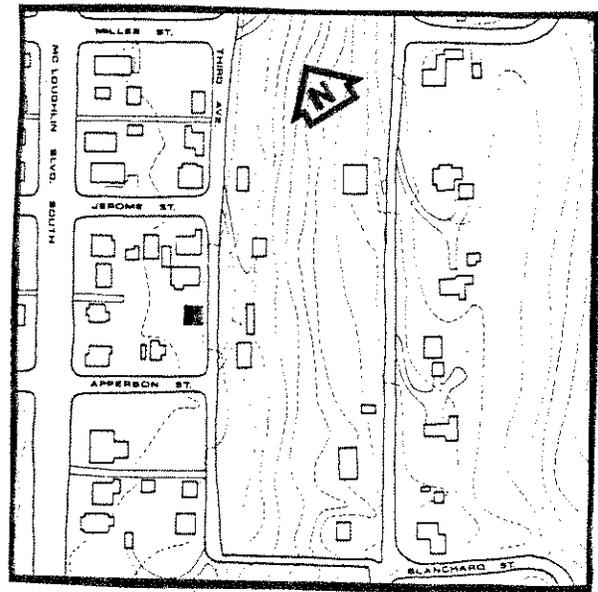
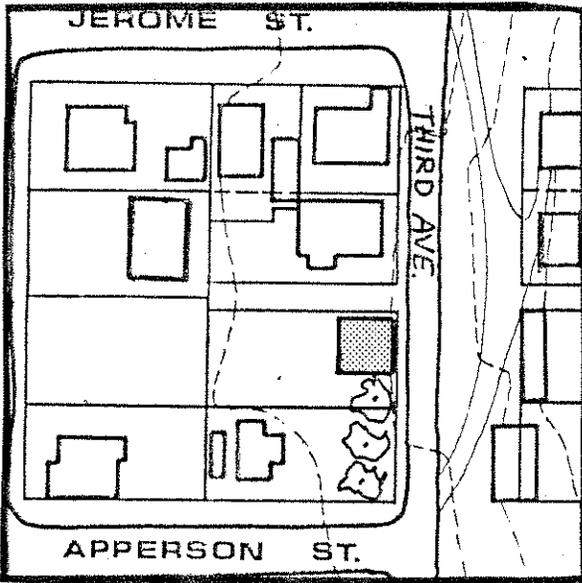
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GRAPHIC AND PHOTO SOURCES: Base Map of Canemah. Oregon City Planning Department Photograph, 1988.

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