OREGON INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES
HISTORIC RESOURCE INVENTORY FORM

HISTORIC NAME: George & Stella Rakel Residence

COMMON NAME:

ADDRESS: 510 First Avenue

OWNER: Southern Pacific Railroad,
304 Union Station, Portland, OR 97209

T/R/S: 2-1E-36DD TAX LOT: 500

ADDITION: Plat of Canemah

LOT: 3 BLOCK: 2 QUAD: Oregon City

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1917

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

PRESENT USE: Residence

ARCH./BLDR.: Unknown (Rakel?)

STYLE: Bungalow

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

THEME: Architecture, 20th Century

PLAN TYPE/SHAPE: Square

NO. OF STORIES: 1 1/2

FOUNDATION MATERIAL: Concrete

BASEMENT (Y/N): Yes

ROOF FORM & MATERIALS: Gable roof with bellcast extension covering the one-story porch.

WALL CONSTRUCTION: Wood

STRUCTURAL FRAME: Stud

PRIMARY WINDOW TYPE: Front windows have small lights above. Other windows are 1/1 d/h.

SURFACING MATERIALS: Combination of bevel and shingle siding.

DECORATIVE FEATURES: Gable ends include diagonally-braced purlins, exposed rafters.

OTHER: Square porch posts on bevel-sided balustrade. Bay window. Shed-roof dormer.

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

EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS (dated): Front windows with small lights above may be a later addition, n.d.

NOTEWORTHY LANDSCAPE FEATURES: Railroad tracks run along front property line.

ASSOCIATED STRUCTURES: None.

KNOWN ARCHAEOLOGICAL FEATURES: Canemah Waterfront is documented Indian settlement area.

GEOGRAPHIC SETTING: Occupies an interior lot of First Avenue between Jerome and Miller Streets. Riverfront property. Adjacent to Southern Pacific Railroad tracks (and all properties along First Avenue are also owned by the Railroad). Adjacent to a vacant lot.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: (Historical and/or architectural importance, dates, events, persons, contexts): George Rakel was a barber in Canemah in 1916, and in some way related to Frederick Rakel (609 S. McLoughlin Boulevard). The Rakels built this house after selling their house at 210 Hedges Street in Canemah. This compact and symmetric bungalow is one of the better examples of its style in Canemah, and one of the few of those with similar roof forms in Oregon City. It has some importance because of its relation to the Rakel family.

SOURCES: Oregon City City Directory, 1916. Sanborn Insurance Map, 1911, 1925. Clackamas County Tax Rolls, 1910, 1915, 1920, 1925. Pioneer National Title Company Records, Oregon City.

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HISTORIC RESOURCE INVENTORY FORM - TWO

NAME: George and Stella Rakel Residence

T/R/S: 2-1E-36DD TAX LOT 50

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QUADRANGLE: Oregon City

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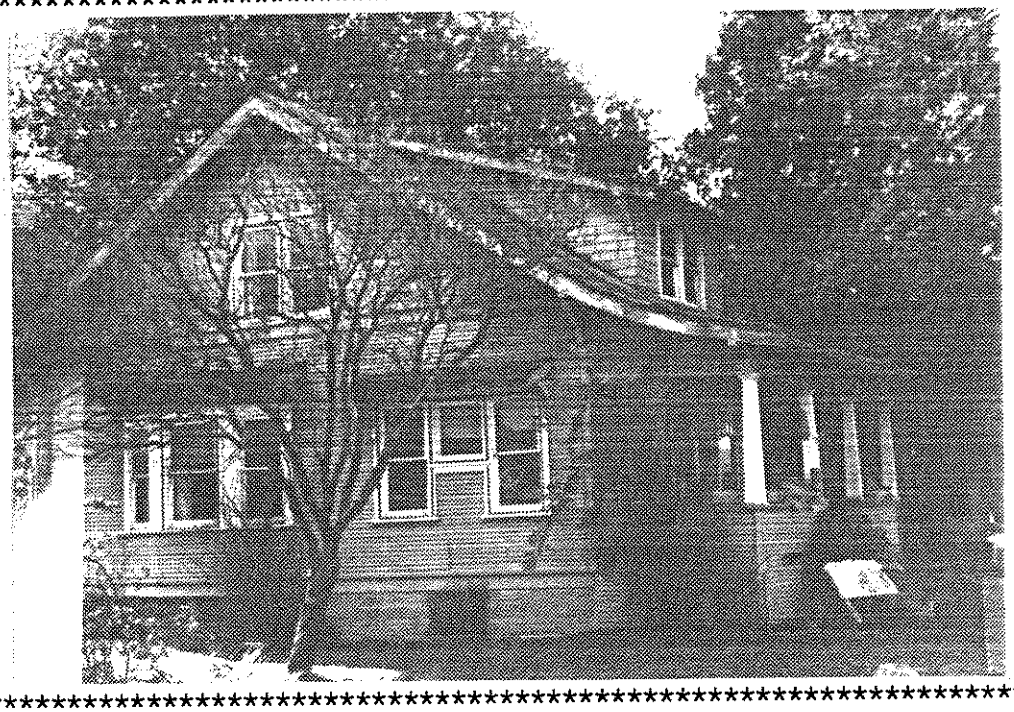

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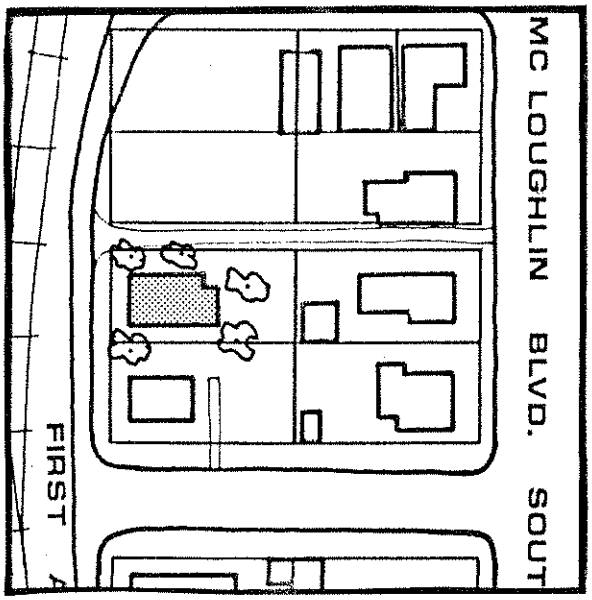

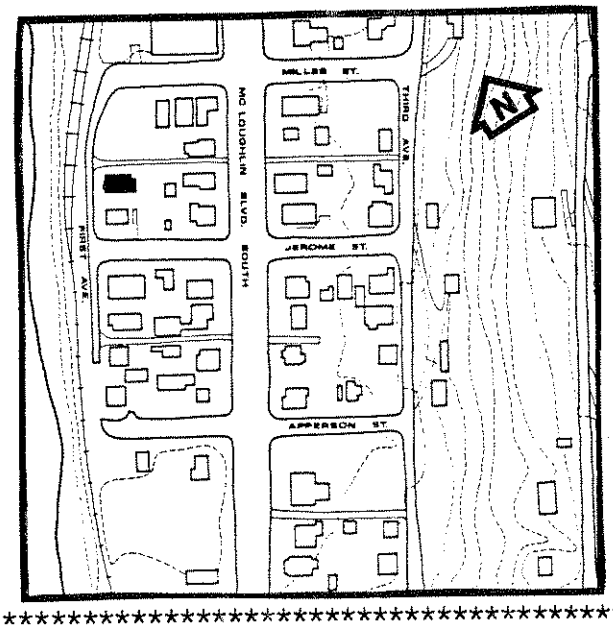

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