

OREGON CITY HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM

Street Address: 809 WASHINGTON ST				City: OREGON CITY	
USGS Quad Name: Oregon City		GPS Latitude: 45 21 27 N		Longitude: 122 36 15 W	
Township: 02S	Range: 02E	Section: 31	Block: 52	Lot: 3	Map #: 22E31AA Tax Lot #: 11700
Date of Construction: c. 1888		Historic Name: Cross, Judge Harvey, House		Historic Use or Function: Domestic - single dwelling	
Grouping or Cluster Name: NA		*Current Name or Use: Domestic - single dwelling		Associated Archaeological Site: Unknown	
Architectural Classification(s): Italianate			Plan Type/Shape: L-shaped		Number of Stories: 2.0
Foundation Material: Concrete			Structural Framing: Unknown		Moved? Yes
Roof Type/Material: Gable / Composition shingle			Window Type/Material: 1/1 wood double-hung		
Exterior Surface Materials Primary: Drop			Secondary:		Decorative:
Exterior Alterations or Additions/Approximate Date: House moved, c.1915; Addition of front porch with balcony above and chimney on south elevation, c.1915 (when house was moved)					
Number and Type of Associated Resources: None					
Integrity: Good		Condition: Good		Local Ranking: Designated Historic Site	National Register Listed? No
Potentially Eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> Individually or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> As a contributing resource in a district Not Eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> Intact but lacks distinction <input type="checkbox"/> Altered (choose one): <input type="checkbox"/> Reversible/Potentially eligible individually or in district <input type="checkbox"/> Reversible/Ineligible as it lacks distinction <input type="checkbox"/> Irretrievable loss of integrity <input type="checkbox"/> Not 50 years old					
Description of Physical and Landscape Features:					
<p>This large two story house sits under a front gable roof that is ornamented by a wide frieze and rake board with scroll cut brackets placed close together, giving the house an Italianate feel. This feeling is accentuated by the segmentally arched 1/1 double-hung wood sash windows throughout the house. The windows feature wide trim with decorative edge molding and scroll cut ornament above the second floor windows. The house is clad with drop siding with blocks at the corners to simulate quoins. A full width porch runs across the east façade with a second floor balcony supported by a series of tapered square columns set on concrete piers. A simple balustrade encircles the porch, which also contains an octagonal bay near the south end of the façade. A second octagonal bay is located on the south side of the house, covered by a shallow hip roof. A large brick chimney is located on the south wall of the house, east of the octagonal bay. A basalt retaining wall faces Washington Street on the east side of the lot.</p>					
Statement of Significance:					
<p>The c.1888 Judge Harvey Cross House was constructed at another location and moved to this site sometime between 1911 and 1925. Cross was a prominent local and state politician and community leader. He was one of the founders of the Mount Hood and Barlow Road Company, which operated the Barlow Road after 1882, and with partners formed the Gladstone Real Estate Association which led to the establishment of the city of Gladstone. In 1890, Cross represented Clackamas and Marion Counties in the Oregon State Senate, and he also served as a county judge. In 1894, he co-founded the Willamette Valley Chautauqua Association and helped establish it as the third largest permanent Chautauqua camp in the United States. The house was moved to this site during the ownership of Edwin G. and Gertrude Roberts, who purchased the property in 1910, but continued to live at 1003 9th Street until at least 1916. By the early 1930s, Gertrude Roberts occupied this house and continued to do so until the mid-1950s. Roberts was joined in by Joseph F. Davis, a teacher at Oregon City High School, and his wife Mary in 1953. Five years later, the house was deeded to the couple, who remained in the house until 1972. This property was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1979.</p>					
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