


OREGON CITY HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM

Street Address: 720 11TH ST					City: OREGON CITY	
USGS Quad Name: Oregon City			GPS Latitude: 45 21 30 N		Longitude: 122 36 03 W	
Township: 02S	Range: 02E	Section: 31	Block: 98	Lot: 1x, 2x	Map #: 22E31AA	Tax Lot #: 6700
Date of Construction: c. 1890		Historic Name: Roake, James and Sarah, 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): Queen Anne				Plan Type/Shape: L-shaped		Number of Stories: 2.0
Foundation Material: Concrete				Structural Framing: Unknown		Moved? No
Roof Type/Material: Gable / Metal tile				Window Type/Material: 1/1 wood double-hung		
Exterior Surface Materials Primary: Channel drop Secondary: Wood shingle Decorative:						
Exterior Alterations or Additions/Approximate Date: Polygonal roofed tower with wrought-iron finial removed; Gingerbread fans in gable peak, spindle removed.						
Number and Type of Associated Resources: Garage to northwest (1)						
Integrity: Good		Condition: Good		Local Ranking: Designated Historic Site		National Register Listed? No
<p>Potentially Eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> Individually or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> As a contributing resource in a district</p> <p>Not Eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> Intact but lacks distinction</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Altered (choose one): <input type="checkbox"/> Reversible/Potentially eligible individually or in district</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Reversible/Ineligible as it lacks distinction</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Irretrievable loss of integrity</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not 50 years old</p>						
Description of Physical and Landscape Features:						
<p>This two story Queen Anne house sits under a gable roof with an L-shaped plan. A rectangular tower is present at the inside corner of the L, topped by a steep pyramidal roof. The house has modest Queen Anne ornamentation, with coved imbrications at the gable ends above a belt course that is a continuation of the frieze and rake boards on the house. Below the shingled gable ends, the house is clad with horizontal V-groove drop siding, finished with cornerboards. A small porch is present on the northeast corner of the house, with a hip roof supported by a single turned column. Two engaged turned columns frame the porch. An octagonal bay is present on the north side of the house, just west of the porch. The area beneath the windows in the bay contains recessed panels above the full water table that encircles the house. The windows are all 1/1 double-hung wood sash with board trim and decorative hood and apron moldings. The eaves are enclosed, and feature round galvanized gutters.</p> <p>A small garage, built recently, is located just west of the house. It sits under a gable roof, and is clad with board and batten siding with imbrications matching the house in the gable ends.</p>						
Statement of Significance:						
<p>In 1891, James and Sarah Roake purchased this property. Mr. Roake operated a sulfur mill in Oregon City, which was destroyed by the 1890 flood. After recovering his losses, he established the Oregon City Foundry, which his son John Albert Roake (903 Madison Street) developed into a large city business. The Foundry operated for three generations before finally closing in the 1950s. The Roakes continued to own this property until 1933, when it was sold to John and Ivy Crawford. John was a carpenter at the CWP Company, who in 1944 transferred the house to another CWP employee, Frank Fisher and his wife Della, a musician. Mrs. Fisher continued to occupy this residence following her husband's death in the mid-1950s. In 1964, she sold the house in 1964 to Arba and Gertrude McPaul, a retired couple who resided in the house until 1971.</p>						

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